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Preface

THE object of this little volume is to afford at a glance a view of some of the principal events of each year of Her Majesty's reign. It does not pretend to be a history, or even a historical summary; but merely to serve as a means of calling to memory a few of the political struggles, acts of parliament, wars, books, plays, pictures, accidents, trials, and so forth, about which people were talking at the time of their occurrence. It will freshen up the memory of the veteran, as well as give to the younger man information which he would have a difficulty in coming at, unless he had many large works of reference at his disposal.

The general arrangement is as simple as possible. At each opening a complete year is presented. The events are arranged in six columns, called in the Index A, B, C, D, E, and F respectively. These are headed Home Politics, Foreign and Colonial Politics, Literature, The Arts and Sport, Inventions and Discoveries, and Miscellaneous. But the Compiler gives warning that the headings must not always be taken with pedantic exactness. In column B only such events are, as a rule, included as have had a distinct bearing on our own political activity. The few foreign events mentioned which do not come under this category are included in square brackets. Owing to the

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exigencies of space it has been found impossible to be quite rigid in keeping events to what would naturally be their proper column. A dozen columns—half of which would have been empty in most years—would have been required. The occasional deviations from scientific consistency will, however, be found to cause little real inconvenience, as the Index is very full.

Sometimes, also, it has been found impossible to restrict the entries to their proper limits, and the contents of a column have been allowed to flow into its neighbour. In such a year as 1886, for instance, with two Cabinet changes to chronicle, column A has made inroads on both the remaining divisions of the page.

As to the selection of events, the need of compression has made it necessary to exclude much that is important. It must be remembered that limitation of room involves selection, and selection necessarily implies omission. Thus one or two important early pictures of a painter, or novels of an author, having been given, the rest, equally important, and perhaps of greater intrinsic value, must be omitted to make way for the productions of other men. The Compiler has endeavoured to be impartial, and has often excluded works which he regards as of great merit in order to make room for popular favourites which still linger with an after-glow of enjoyment in the memories of older folk.

In the case of column E, the selection of incidents has been particularly difficult. Great scientific advances have seldom the definiteness and suddenness which attach to the discovery of argon and of the X rays. Little by little a new conception is arrived at, and there is no dramatic crisis to chronicle. Again, the cosmopolitan character of

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scientific knowledge has rendered it necessary to include work done in foreign countries to a greater degree than in column D.

Before finally dismissing the book to the charge of the printer, I should like to acknowledge my indebtedness to the assistance of Miss Constance Jacob, Mr. J. R. Hart, and my wife.

PUTNEY, *May* 13, 1897.

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THE EVENTS OF THE REIGN

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
[The Parliament sitting at the death of King William IV. had been elected in 1835. The Liberals had a majority of 54. The following were the chief members of the Government:— Viscount Melbourne, First Lord of the Treasury; Lord John Russell, Home Secretary; Lord Palmerston, Foreign Secretary; Lord Glenelg, Colonial Secretary; Spring Rice, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Lord Cottenham, Lord Chancellor.] **Accession of Her Majesty Queen Victoria,** daughter of the late Duke of Kent, who was fourth son of George III. Now aged only 18. Dr. Howley, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Lord Conyngham, Lord Chamberlain, announce the death of William IV. to the young Queen at Kensington Palace at 5 A.M. (*June* 20). Privy Council meets (Sunday). Proclamation issued (*June* 21). Budget introduced by Spring Rice shows estimated revenue of £47,240,000, and expenditure of £46,631,000 (*June* 30). Burial of King William IV. at Windsor (*July* 8). Parliament prorogued by the Queen in person, and dissolved (*July* 17).	Capt. Alexander Burnes sent to Cabul on a mission to Dost Mohammed, the Ameer (*Sept.*). Russian intrigues with the Ameer are discovered (*Oct.*). Persia lays siege to Herat. Serious disaffection breaks out in Canada, owing to alleged arbitrary conduct of authorities, insufficient power of the Legislative Council, jobbery among officials, &c. (*Nov.* 13). Melbourne founded (*Nov.*).	Bulwer, *Ernest Maltravers.* R. Browning, *Strafford.* Carlyle, *The French Revolution.* Dickens, *Pickwick* (completed); *Oliver Twist* (begins). B. Disraeli; *Venetia.* Hallam, *Literature of Europe* (vol. i.). Theodore Hook, *Jack Brag.* Howitt, *Rural Life in England.* Sheridan Knowles, *The Love Chase.* Thackeray, *The Yellowplush Papers.* Whewell, *History of the Inductive Sciences.*
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). General Election—Liberals obtain a majority of about 38 (*July–Aug.*). The name Conservative largely adopted by Tory candidates. First session of the first Parliament of the new reign opened by the Queen in person (*Nov.* 20). The hereditary revenues of the Crown surrendered by her Majesty. A Civil List of £385,000 voted for life (*Nov.–Dec.*). Noisy debates respecting Irish Election petitions. In one of these, Disraeli makes his maiden speech (*Dec.* 7).	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of Harriet, Duchess of St. Albans, formerly Miss Mellon the actress (*Aug.* 5). New University Library and Fitzwilliam Museum buildings at Cambridge are begun (*Aug.–Nov.*). Mendelssohn conducts his oratorio *St. Paul*, produced at the Birmingham Festival (*Sept.* 20). Death of Samuel Wesley, musician (*Oct.* 8). Macready enters upon the management of Covent Garden Theatre (till 1839), (*Sept.* 30). No University Boat Race. The Derby won by Phosphorus. Landseer's *Shepherd's Chief Mourner* exhibited at the R. A. Miss Nisbet appears in the *Love Chase* at the Haymarket—a run of nearly 100 nights (*Oct.* 9).	Liverpool and Birmingham Grand Junction Railway opened (*July* 4). Wheatstone and Cooke's electric telegraph tried between Euston Square and Camden Town stations (*July* 25). Captain Grey's journeys of discovery in N.W. Australia (1837–1839). His scheme of phonetic shorthand published by Isaac Pitman. Sir Astley Cooper, President of the Royal College of Surgeons. Thames Tunnel under construction. Interrupted by irruption of water (*Nov.–Dec.*).	Sir Moses Montefiore chosen Sheriff of London (*June* 24), and knighted (*Nov.* 9). The first Jew who had received either of these honours. The Queen dines with the Lord Mayor in state (*Nov.* 9).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Melbourne. Canada Bill, giving the Colonial Government additional powers, passed (*Jan.–Feb.*). Irish Poor Law Act passed. O'Connell reprimanded by the Speaker for his imputations of perjury against Tory members (*Feb.* 26). Villiers moves for Committee on the Corn Laws. Defeated by 300 to 95 (*Mar.* 15). Irish Tithe Commutation Act passed without the clauses which partially disendowed the Irish Church. Budget shows a deficit of nearly £2,000,000, owing to Canadian Rebellion, &c. (*May* 18). Coronation of her Majesty at Westminster Abbey (*June* 28). Attack, led by Brougham, on Lord Durham's Ordinances. The Ministry give way, and disallow them (*July*). Ministry defeated 21 times in the Commons during the Session. Beginning of the Chartist agitation. The "National Petition" adopted at a meeting at Birmingham (*Aug.* 6). Many demonstrations in favour of it. Beginning of the Anti-Corn-Law League agi-	Rebellion in Canada. Sir F. Head, Lieutenant-Governor of Lower Canada, resigns. Lord Durham appointed Governor-General of Canada, with special powers (*Jan.* 16). Lord Durham promulgates some drastic ordinances, transporting rebels to Bermuda (*June* 28). War with Persia, on account of Herat, and insult to British Ambassadors. Lord Auckland, Governor-General of India, recognises Shah Soojah as the Ameer of Afghanistan, and sends troops to support him (*Oct.*). Lord Durham resigns (*Oct.* 22). Fresh disturbances in Canada (*Nov.–Dec.*).	Death of Mrs. Maclean, formerly Letitia Elizabeth Landon (L. E. L.) (*Oct.* 15). E. B. Browning, *The Seraphim, and Other Poems.* Bulwer, *Alice; The Lady of Lyons.* Carlyle, *Sartor Resartus* (reprinted from *Fraser's Magazine*). Eliza Cook, *Melaia, and Other Poems.* Dickens, *Nicholas Nickleby* (issue begun). Gladstone, *The State in its Relation to the Church.* Lady Charlotte Guest, *The Mabinogion* (a translation, completed 1849). Lover, *Handy Andy.* Macaulay, *Essay on Sir W. Temple* (in *Edinburgh Review*). Maurice, *Kingdom of Christ.* Newman, *Lectures on Justification.* Pusey, Newman, Palmer, &c., *Library of the Fathers* (translation) begun. Tupper, *Proverbial Philosophy.*

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tation at a meeting at Manchester (*Dec.* 20).

A good deal of agitation also against the New Poor Law.

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Charles Kean as Hamlet at Drury Lane (*Jan.*). Bulwer's *Lady of Lyons* produced at Covent Garden, with Helen Faucit and Macready in the principal parts (*Feb.* 15). First stone of St. George's Hall, Liverpool, laid (*June* 28). The new National Gallery in Trafalgar Square opened (*April* 9). First appearance in London of Fanny Ellsler, dancer. Egg's *Spanish Girl* exhibited at the R. A. No University Boat Race. The Derby won by Amato.	The *Sirius*, the first screw steamer to cross the Atlantic, makes the passage from Cork to New York in 19 days (*April*). Rowland Hill's plan for reform of the General Post Office adopted. London & Birmingham Railway (North-Western) opened over its whole course (*Sept.* 17). Great Western Railway opened from London to Maidenhead (*June* 4). Electric telegraph set up between Paddington and West Drayton. Mails first sent by railway. Stereoscope constructed and exhibited by Wheatstone. Steam-hammer invented by James Nasmyth. Royal Agricultural Society founded.	Trial of Glasgow cotton operatives for trades union outrages and conspiracy. Sentenced to seven years' transportation (*Jan.* 3). The Royal Exchange, London, burnt (*Jan.* 10). The lunatic Thom, calling himself Sir W. Courtenay, and the Saviour of the world, causes rioting near Canterbury. He and eight followers are shot by the military (*May*). Duel at Wormwood Scrubs between Lord Castlereagh and the husband of Madame Grisi. Dr. Hook dismissed from his post of Chaplain at the Chapel Royal. Two seconds in the fatal duel between J. F. Mirfin and F. L. Eliot convicted of murder, but the death sentence is commuted to one year's imprisonment (*Sept.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Melbourne. Opposition between the Chartists and the Anti-Corn-Law League. Meetings held by both parties in the chief towns. Chartist riots at Birmingham, Newcastle, Newport, &c., at which Feargus O'Connor, Vincent, &c., are prominent. Lord Normanby succeeds Lord Glenelg as Colonial Secretary (*Feb.* 8). Ecclesiastical Duties and Revenues Bill to reduce the Cathedral establishments passed second reading (*Feb.* 25). Lord Melbourne's Government escapes a defeat in the Commons by five votes, on the Bill to suspend the Constitution of Jamaica (*May* 6). Resigns next day. Sir Robert Peel refuses to take office, owing to the Queen's determination to allow of no change in the Ladies of the Bedchamber (*May* 10). Wild accusations made by Henry Grattan, O'Connor, &c., that the Queen's life was in danger from the Tories. Rowland Hill's scheme for postal reform (universal penny post) accepted (*Aug.*). T. B. Macaulay enters the Ministry as Secretary of War (*Sept.* 27). Serious Chartist riots at	Aden bombarded and taken in consequence of maltreatment of sailors by the Arab sultan (*Jan.* 19). The Chinese Imperial Commissioner Lin prohibits importation of opium (*Mar.* 18). The Chinese authorities profess to regard England as a subject country. English traders are seized and imprisoned. Opium to the value of £6,000,000 given up to the Chinese officers under protest (*Mar.–May*). Afghan war. Shah Soojah supported as Ameer by Indian troops. Ghuznee taken by storm (*July* 23). Cabul taken (*Aug.* 7). Attack on British frigate by Chinese junks easily repulsed (*Nov.* 3). The name Victoria taken by the Australian colony.	Ainsworth, *Jack Sheppard.* Bailey, *Festus.* Carlyle, *Chartism.* Darwin, *Journal of Researches* (*Naturalist's Voyage round the World*). Disraeli, *Count Alarcos.* Lever, *Harry Lorrequer.* Milman, edition of Gibbon's *Decline and Fall*, with Life, &c. Moore, *Alciphron.* Sterling, *Poems.* Thackeray, *Catherine* (in *Fraser's Magazine*). Death of John Galt, novelist (*April* 11). Death of W. M. Praed, poet (*July* 15).
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Newport, Monmouth. Ten people killed (*Nov.* 4). The Queen's approaching marriage formally announced (*Nov.* 23). Outrages in Ireland.	

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Commencement of Madam Vestris' management of Covent Garden Theatre. Turner's *Fighting Temeraire* exhibited at the R. A. Landseer's *Dignity and Impudence* exhibited. Paul Bedford appears as Blueskin in *Jack Sheppard*. The *Art Union Monthly Journal*, afterwards the *Art Journal*, published. University Boat Race won by Cambridge (Westminster to Putney, in thirty-one minutes). The Derby won by Bloomsbury.	Daguerre's photographic discovery announced (*Jan.*). H. Fox Talbot describes to the Royal Society his method of obtaining photographic images from a negative (*Jan.* 31). J. F. Herschel uses glass plates for photographic negatives. King's College Hospital founded. Polytechnic Institution opened (*Aug.* 6). Eastern Counties (Great Eastern) Railway opened (*June* 18). Daguerre's process for taking portraits exhibited in Piccadilly to various artists and men of science (*Sept.* 13). Fourpenny post introduced preparatory to the universal penny post (*Nov.* 5). Eyre discovers Lake Torrens in South Australia. Wooden pavement laid down in part of Oxford Street. The screw-propeller adopted for large ships.	Violent storm, especially on West Coast (*Jan.* 7). Bloodless duel between Lord Londonderry and Grattan (*Jan.* 13). Duels between Lord Powerscourt and Mr. Roebuck (*Feb.* 28). "The Palace Scandal." Lady Flora Hastings, a Maid of Honour, charged with being secretly married (*Feb.*). She died in July. The General Assembly of the Scotch Presbyterian Church brought into collision with the State on the question of patronage. The Auchterarder case; the Strathbogie case. The Eglinton tournament (*Aug.*). Father Mathew's temperance crusade in Ireland. Several suicides from the top of the Monument (*Sept.-Oct.*). John Frost and others tried for high treason in consequence of the Newport riots (*Dec.* 31). Sentences of death, afterwards commuted to transportation.

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Melbourne. The House of Commons commits to prison a litigant named Stockdale, also his attorney and the two sheriffs, because the first had instituted a libel action against Messrs. Hansard for printing a report at the order of the House; and the others had aided and abetted him. The Court of Queen's Bench, which had previously decided in Stockdale's favour, declines to interfere (*Jan.*). Act passed releasing the printers of Parliamentary papers from actions for libel. Marriage of the Queen and Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg (*Feb.* 10). The Ministry frequently defeated in both Houses of Parliament. The Canada Government Bill passed (*Mar.–July*). The Budget shows an estimated revenue of £46,700,000, and an expenditure of £49,432,000. Additional taxes. O'Connell's agitation in favour of Repeal of the Union becomes important. Act passed prohibiting the employment of climbing-boys as chimney-sweeps. Irish Municipal Act passed.	Insolent letter of Commissioner Lin published (*Jan.* 15). Further hostilities between British and Chinese. Blockade of Canton. British Government gives permission for the removal of the body of Napoleon Bonaparte to France. Treaty of London between Russia, Austria, Prussia, Great Britain, and Turkey, for the expulsion of the Egyptians from Syria (*July*). In consequence of this, the allied fleets take Sidon (*Sept.* 27), Acre (*Nov.* 3), and other places. Universal rising in Afghanistan in favour of Dost Mohammed and against Shah Soojah. Dost Mohammed, after some successes, surrenders to Sir W. Macnaghten (*Nov.* 3).	Ainsworth, *Tower of London.* R. Browning, *Sordello.* Bulwer, *Money.* Craik, Macfarlane, &c., *Knight's Pictorial History of England.* Dickens, *Master Humphrey's Clock* (containing *The Old Curiosity Shop*). Hookham Frere, translation of Aristophanes' *Acharnians, Knights*, &c. Gladstone, *Church Principles considered in their Results.* Hunt, *A Legend of Florence.* Monckton Milnes, *Poetry for the People.* Strickland, *Lives of the Queens of England* (vol. i.). Thackeray, *Paris Sketch-Book.* Whewell, *Philosophy of the Inductive Sciences.* Death of Mme. D'Arblay, novelist (*Jan.* 6).

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Death of Sir J. Wyatville, architect (*Feb.* 10). The new Palace of Westminster begun. Death of Alexander Nasmyth, painter (*April* 10). Rioting at the Italian Opera, in consequence of the non-engagement of Tamburini (*April* 29). Foundation-stone of the Scott Memorial at Edinburgh laid (*Aug.* 15). Foundation-stone of the Nelson Monument, Trafalgar Square, laid (*Sept.* 30). Bulwer's *Money* produced at the Haymarket (*Dec.* 8). Eton, Harrow, and other schools begin to have athletic sports. University Boat Race won by Cambridge. Derby won by Little Wonder.	System of penny postage comes into operation (*Jan.* 10). Record steamship passage from Portsmouth to New York, in 13 days 11 hours. Bude-light patented. Eyre discovers Flinders Range, &c., in South Australia. Captain Sturt nearly reaches the centre of Australia. Joule's Law published.	Duel between Messrs. Bradshaw and Horsman, both M.P.'s, in consequence of the violent attack made by the latter on the Queen ("Her Majesty is Queen only of a party!"), *Jan.* 15. Abortive duel between Louis Napoleon and Count Leon (*Mar.* 3). Duel between Lord Cardigan and Mr. Tuckett (*Sept.* 12). Murder of Lord William Russell by his valet, Courvoisier (*May* 6). Attempt on the life of the Queen by Oxford, a crazy pot-boy (*June* 10). John Thorogood of Chelmsford released from prison after 22 months' imprisonment for refusing to pay a Church rate (*Nov.* 12). Birth of the Princess Royal (*Nov.* 21). By the end of this year 292 Acts of Parliament had sanctioned the construction of about 3000 miles of railway.

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Melbourne: Peel. Budget, introduced by Baring, Chancellor of the Exchequer, shows an estimated revenue of £48,310,000, and expenditure of £50,731,000. Extra duties on sugar and imported timber. Anti-Corn-Law agitation increases in importance. On a No-confidence motion, the Ministry is defeated by 312 to 311 (*June* 4). Parliament dissolved. General Election gives a large Conservative majority (367 to 291 Liberals). The first session of the second Parliament (*Aug.*). Melbourne Ministry defeated, on an amendment to the Address, by 91 votes (*Aug.* 28). Sir R. Peel forms a Ministry (*Sept.*)—Peel, First Lord of the Treasury; Sir J. Graham, Home Secretary; Lord Aberdeen, Foreign Secretary; Lord Stanley, Colonial Secretary; H. Goulburn, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Lord Lyndhurst, Lord Chancellor; W. E. Gladstone, Vice-President of the Board of Trade; Sidney Herbert, Secretary to the Admiralty. The Queen makes no objection to the removal	Union of Upper and Lower Canada takes effect (*Feb.*). Hostilities against the Chinese. Cession of Hong-Kong to England, and opening of Canton to trade promised by Chinese Government (*Jan.* 20). Afterwards revoked. Fresh attack on Canton (*May* 21). Capture of Amoy (*Aug.* 2). New Zealand, separated from New South Wales, becomes a self-governing colony (*April* 30). Fresh trouble in Afghanistan. Treacherous murder of Sir Alexander Burnes and other officers at Cabul (*Nov.* 2). Also of Macnaghten, while engaged in conference with the Afghans (*Dec.* 2). British force at Cabul has to surrender (*Dec.* 27).	Ainsworth, *Old St. Paul's.* R. Browning, *Pippa Passes.* Bulwer, *Night and Morning.* Carlyle, *Hero Worship.* Dickens, *Barnaby Rudge.* I. D'Israeli, *Amenities of Literature.* Lever, *Charles O'Malley.* Macaulay, *Essay on Warren Hastings* (in *Edinburgh Review*). Marryat, *Masterman Ready.* Hugh Miller, *The Old Red Sandstone.* J. H. Newman, *Tracts for the Times*, No. XC. Thackeray, *Great Hoggarty Diamond.* Trench, *Notes on the Parables.* Warren, *Ten Thousand a Year.* Death of Theodore Hook, novelist (*Aug.* 24). Charles Dickens fêted at Edinburgh (*June*).

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of the Whig Ladies of the Household.

O'Connell, Lord Mayor of Dublin (*Nov.*).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Boucicault's *London Assurance* produced (*Mar.* 4). Foundation-stone of St. Martyrs' Memorial laid at Oxford (*May* 20). First appearance of Rachel in London in *Andromaque*, at the Opera House (*May*). Death of Sir David Wilkie, R.A. (*June* 8). Astley's Amphitheatre destroyed by fire (*June* 8). The first number of *Punch* appears (*July* 17); Leech's first contribution in the fourth number. Death of Thomas Dibdin, singer (*Sept.* 16). Adelaide Kemble makes her first appearance at Covent Garden in the part of Norma (*Nov.* 2). Royal Commission for inquiring as to the best way of promoting the Fine Arts (*Nov.* 23). Sir Francis Chantrey, sculptor, died (*Nov.* 25). Curwen begins to advocate the Tonic Sol-fa system. The Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by Coronation.	Antarctic Expedition under Captain Ross reaches 78° 4′ south lat. (*Feb.*). Death of Sir Astley Cooper, surgeon (*Feb.* 12). Great Western Railway opened from London to Bristol (*June* 30). Eyre completes his journey across Australia from Adelaide to King George's Sound (*July*). Artificial ice made by Kirke. Railway to Blackwall (Great Eastern) opened (*Aug.* 2). London and Brighton Railway opened (*Sept.* 21). Great Niger expedition a failure, owing to fever (*Aug.–Oct.*).	The heads of houses at Oxford condemn Tract XC. The General Assembly of the Scottish Presbyterian Church deposes the ministers who have yielded obedience to the civil courts (*May* 27). Moxon, a publisher, found guilty of blasphemy for publishing Shelley's works (*June* 23). Wheat 86 shillings a quarter (*Aug.* 14). "The Jerusalem Bishopric" scheme. Bishop Gobat consecrated (*Nov.* 7). Birth of the Prince of Wales (*Nov.* 9). First big railway smash, at Sunning, on the Great Western Railway (*Dec.* 24). Trial of E. Beaumont Smith for enormous forgeries of Exchequer bills—said to be to the value of £340,000 (*Dec.* 4). Census taken. Population of England and Wales, 15,911,767; Scotland, 2,629,184; Ireland, 8,175,124.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Peel. Peel introduces Corn Importation Bill, regulating the duty by a sliding-scale (*Feb.* 9). Villiers' and Cobden's proposal for immediate repeal of Corn Laws, and Lord J. Russell's proposal for a fixed duty, both defeated. The Government Bill carried. The Budget shows estimated revenue of £48,350,000, and expenditure of £50,820,000. An income-tax of 7d. in the pound on incomes of £150 and upwards imposed, with some other changes in taxation. Lord Mahon's Copyright Act passed. Presentation of the Chartist National Petition, said to have been signed by 3,317,000 persons (*May* 2). New Tariff Bill passed, repealing many duties on imports. Factory Acts applied to mines. Anti-Corn-Law League very active.	Afghan war. Retreat of the British force from Cabul through the Khyber Pass. Treachery of the Afghans, and massacre of all the troops and camp-followers (*Jan.*). Lord Ellenborough succeeds Lord Auckland as Governor-General of India (*Feb.*). British garrison at Jellalabad relieved by Sir R. Sale (*April* 16). Cabul taken by General Pollock (*Sept.* 15). Evacuation of Afghanistan by the relieving army (*Nov.*). Trouble with the Boers of Port Natal. Chinese war continued. Treaty of Nankin, by which Hong-Kong is conceded, and certain ports opened, signed (*Aug.* 29).	R. Browning, *King Victor and King Charles; Dramatic Lyrics.* Bulwer, *Zanoni.* Campbell, *Pilgrims of Glencoe.* Darwin, *Coral Reefs.* Dickens, *American Notes.* D'Arblay (Miss Burney), *Diary and Letters.* Lever, *Jack Hinton.* Macaulay, *Lays of Ancient Rome; Essay on Frederick the Great* (in the *Edinburgh Review*). Marryat, *Percival Keene.* Sir H. Taylor, *Edwin the Fair.* Tennyson, *Poems.* Wilson, *Recreations of Christopher North.* Wordsworth, *The Borderers* (written in 1797). Death of Dr. Arnold of Rugby (*June* 12). Death of W. Maginn, miscellaneous writer (*Aug.* 21). Death of W. Hone, miscellaneous writer (*Nov.* 6). Charles Dickens in America (*Jan.–June*).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Sale of the Strawberry Hill collections (*April*). Formation of Hullah's choir (*April*). Publication of the first number of the *Illustrated London News*, the earliest illustrated paper (*May* 14). Maclise's picture of the *Play-scene in Hamlet* exhibited. Maclise made R.A. Jullien begins his annual series of concerts at the English Opera House (*Dec.*). University Boat Race won by Oxford. Derby won by Attila.	Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway opened (*Feb.* 18). Death of Sir Charles Bell, anatomist (*April* 28). Kew Observatory presented to the British Association by the Queen. Thames Tunnel opened (*Aug.* 1).	King Frederick William IV. of Prussia visits England (*Jan.–Feb.*). The struggle between the Moderates and the Anti-Erastian majority continues in the Scottish Established Church. Great distress. Food riots in many places. Serious disturbances in Lancashire and Yorkshire, especially during August. Much rioting and outrage in Ireland. Attempt to shoot her Majesty made by John Francis (*May* 30), and by Bean (*July* 3). The Queen and Prince Albert visit Scotland for the first time (*Sept.*). Several Colonial Bishoprics established. The Fleet and Marshalsea prisons for debtors closed. Dr. Newman at Littlemore.

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Peel. O'Connell announces that this is to be the year of Repeal (*Jan.*). Important debates on Free Trade. Cobden says he holds the Prime Minister "personally" or "individually" responsible for the distress throughout the country. This is taken to hint at assassination (*Feb.* 23). Attack in the Commons on Lord Ellenborough's proclamation about the Gates of Somnath (*Mar.* 9). Factory Bill for the compulsory education of factory and pauper children abandoned by the Government, in consequence of the opposition of Dissenters, who fear it will strengthen the influence of the clergy (*June* 15). Lord Campbell's Libel Act passed. Church Patronage Act for Scotland. Monster Repeal meetings at Kilkenny, Ennis, Tara (*Aug.* 15), Mullaghmarsh, &c. Irish Arms Act passed. John Bright's first speech in Parliament made in favour of Free Trade (*Aug.* 7). Proposed Repeal meeting at Clontarf prohibited by the Lord Lieutenant. O'Connell submits to the prohibition (*Oct.* 7).	Scinde chiefs defeated by Sir C. Napier at Meeanee (Miani) and Hyderabad. Scinde incorporated with the Bombay Presidency (*March*). Ill feeling between France and England. Angry correspondence between the two Governments on the subject of the proposed marriages of the Queen of Spain and her sister. The Ashburton Treaty with the United States, dealing with boundary and extradition of criminals, signed (*Aug.* 9).	Ainsworth, *Windsor Castle.* R. Browning, *Blot in the 'Scutcheon*, *Return of the Druses.* Bulwer, *Last of the Barons.* Carlyle, *Past and Present.* Dickens, *Martin Chuzzlewit* (begun); *A Christmas Carol.* Macaulay, *Essays on Madame D'Arblay and on Addison* (in *Edinburgh Review*). J. S. Mill, *System of Logic.* Ruskin, *Modern Painters* (vol. i.). Thackeray, *Irish Sketch-Book.* Death of Southey, Poet Laureate (*Mar.* 21). Wordsworth becomes Poet Laureate (*April* 6).
	Home Politics (*contd.*). Anti-Corn-Law League holds an enormous number of meetings all over the country. Weekly meetings at Covent Garden Theatre.	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Turner's *Approach to Venice* and the "*Sun of Venice*" *going out to Sea*, exhibited at the R. A. Testimonial to Macready the actor and manager (*June* 19). Exhibition at Westminster of the cartoons for the decoration of the Houses of Parliament (*July*). Nelson's Monument in Trafalgar Square completed, except the lions at the base (*Nov.* 4). Balfe's *Bohemian Girl* produced (*Nov.* 27). No University Boat Race. The Derby won by Cotherstone.	Opening of the South-Eastern Railway (*June* 28). The *Great Britain* steamship launched at Bristol (*July* 19). Exploration of Western Australia by Landor and Lefray.	Murder of Sir R. Peel's secretary by a lunatic, apparently by mistake for the Prime Minister (*Jan.* 20). Riotous proceedings in Wales — "Rebecca and her daughters." Duke of Sussex, the Queen's uncle, died (*April* 21). Birth of Princess Alice (*April* 25). Disruption of the Scottish Church. The Anti-Erastian party, led by Dr. Chalmers, leave the General Assembly and hold a Free Assembly (*May* 18). Dr. Pusey suspended from preaching by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford (*May* 21). Fatal duel between Lieut.-Col. Fawcett and Lieut. Munro (*July* 1). Father Mathew, the Apostle of Temperance, in London (*Aug.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Peel. Mr. Gladstone becomes President of the Board of Trade. Lord John Russell moves for Committee of the whole House to consider the state of Ireland (*Feb.* 13). Budget shows a surplus of 3½ millions, due chiefly to the income-tax. Duties on currants, coffee, sugar, wool, glass, and other articles reduced or abolished. Conversion of the 3½ per cents. to 3¼ per cents., and after 1854 to 3 per cent. stock. This at once reduces national expenditure by £625,000 a year. Dissenters' Chapels Act passed, to confirm Nonconformists in the possession of their endowments (*Mar.*). New Bank Charter Act, separating Banking and Issue departments, and otherwise regulating the issue of bank-notes (*April–July*). Sir J. Graham, Home Secretary, accused of opening letters belonging to Mazzini and others. Inquiry ordered, but nothing done (*June*). The Young England Party rise into notice (Disraeli, Lord John Manners, Cochrane-Baillie, Hon. G. Smith).	Czar Nicholas I. visits England, and has interviews with Ministers; he gives assurances that he is in favour of maintaining the integrity of the Turkish Empire, and is anxious to avoid disturbing its internal government (*June*). War with the natives in New Zealand.	R. Browning, *Colombe's Birthday.* E. B. Browning, *Poems.* Bulwer, *Translation of Schiller's Poems and Ballads.* R. Chambers, *Vestiges of Creation.* De Quincey, *Logic of Political Economy.* Dickens, *The Chimes.* B. Disraeli, *Coningsby.* L. Hunt, *Imagination and Fancy.* Jeffrey, *Essays* (republished from *Edinburgh Review*). Kinglake, *Eothen.* Lever, *Tom Burke of Ours.* Macaulay, *Essay on Chatham* (in *Edinburgh Review*). Maitland, *The Dark Ages.* E. M. Sewell, *Amy Herbert.* A. P. Stanley, *Life of Dr. Arnold.* Thackeray, *Memoirs of Barry Lyndon, Esq.* *Penny Cyclopedia* completed. Death of W. Beckford, author of *Vathek* (*May* 2). Death of Thomas Campbell, poet (*June* 15).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Joachim's first appearance in London at Bunn's concert at Drury Lane (*Mar.* 28). Mrs. Keeley takes the management of the Lyceum (*April*). Phelps becomes manager of Sadler's Wells (*May*). Six artists selected to execute pictures for the decoration of the new Houses of Parliament (Cope, Horsley, Dyce, Maclise, Redgrave, and Cave Thomas). Madame Celeste takes the management of the Adelphi (*Sept.*). New Royal Exchange, designed by Sir W. Tite, opened by the Queen (*Oct.* 28). Turner's *Rain, Steam, and Speed*, and Etty's *Bather*, and Landseer's *Shoeing*, exhibited at the R. A. No University Boat Race. Derby won by Running Rein, said to be over age. The stakes adjudged to Colonel Peel, owner of the second horse, Orlando.	Dr. Leichardt's Australian exploring expedition leaves Moreton Bay (*Aug.*). Death of John Dalton, chemist (*July* 27). Commencement of the docks at Birkenhead (*Oct.* 23).	After 25 days' trial O'Connell is found guilty of conspiracy (*Feb.*). Heavy sentence passed (*May* 24). On appeal the House of Lords reverses the decision of the Irish Queen's Bench, and O'Connell is liberated (*Sept.* 4). Trial of persons implicated in the great Custom-House frauds, estimated as amounting to £300,000 (*Feb.*). "General Tom Thumb" makes his appearance in England. Articles against duelling issued by the War Office (*April*). The Czar visits the Queen (*June*). Prince Alfred born (*Aug.* 6). Much excitement about the Tractarian and Puseyite movement. Anti-surplice riots take place. The case of Running Rein now comes before the Court of Exchequer. It is discovered that a fraud has been perpetrated, and that another horse has been substituted for the true Running Rein (*July* 1). The King of the French visits the Queen (*Oct.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Peel. Gladstone retires from the Ministry on account of the proposals as to the Maynooth grant (*Jan.*). The Budget shows estimated surplus of about 1½ millions (*Feb.* 14). The income-tax renewed for three years; while the duties on glass, cotton, wool, and some 430 other articles, yielding small amounts, are abolished; the duty on sugar reduced (*Feb.*). Fierce attacks on Sir J. Graham, the Home Secretary, on account of the opening of letters in the Post Office. Maynooth Endowment Act, increasing and making permanent the grant to this Roman Catholic college, passed in spite of great opposition on the part of extreme Protestants. The "Godless" Queen's Colleges founded in Ireland. Great opposition by the Roman Catholic bishops. Irish National Board of Education established. The *Times* announces the decision of Peel to abolish the Corn Laws (*Dec.* 4). Divisions in the Cabinet. Peel resigns (*Dec.* 5). Lord J. Russell unable to form a Cabinet (*Dec.* 20).	The war in Scinde comes to an end (*Mar.*). Fresh convention between France and England for the suppression of the slave-trade. Further fighting between settlers and natives in New Zealand. War declared on the Sikhs in consequence of the Sikh invasion of our territory (*Nov.*). Battles of Moodkee (*Dec.* 18) and Ferozeshah (Dec. 21).	Aytoun and Martin, *Bon Gaultier Ballads.* R. Browning, *Dramatic Romances and Lyrics.* Carlyle, *Cromwell's Letters and Speeches.* T. Cooper, *Purgatory of Suicides.* Dickens, *Cricket on the Hearth.* Disraeli, *Sybil; or, the Two Nations.* Jerrold, *Mrs. Caudle's Curtain Lectures* (originally in *Punch*). G. H. Lewes, *Biographical History of Philosophy* (completed in 1846). Sir E. B. Lytton, *The New Timon.* Thackeray, *From Cornhill to Grand Cairo.* Death of Sydney Smith, essayist (*Feb.* 22). Death of Thomas Hood, poet (*May* 3).
	Home Politics (*contd.*). Wellington, Buccleuch, and other Conservative opponents of Free Trade agree to support Peel in his new policy.	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Antigone at Covent Garden, with music by Mendelssohn (*Jan.* 2). *Green Bushes* produced at the Adelphi (*Jan.* 27). The Portland Vase destroyed in the British Museum by a lunatic named Lloyd (*Feb.* 7). Restoration of York Minster by Smirke. E. M. Ward's *Doctor Johnson in the Ante-room of Lord Chesterfield* exhibited at the R. A. *Every Man in his Humour* acted by Dickens, Jerrold, Lemon, Leech, &c., at Miss Kelly's Theatre (*Sept.* 20). University Boat Race won by Cambridge (Putney to Mortlake, 23½ min.). Derby won by Merry Monarch. Surrey Cricket Club founded. I Zingari Cricket Club founded.	Death of J. F. Daniell, physicist (*Mar.* 13). Hungerford Suspension Bridge opened to the public (*May* 1). Sir J. Franklin sails on his third and last voyage to the Arctic regions in the *Erebus* and *Terror* (*May* 26). Railway between Peterborough and Northampton opened. North-Eastern Railway opened (*July*). The "Battle of the Gauges" fought. Lord Rosse's great reflecting telescope completed. Faraday exhibits the phenomena of dia-magnetism at the Royal Institution (*Nov.*). Adams sends his calculations establishing the existence of a planet beyond Uranus to Professor Challis at Greenwich (*Oct.*). Foundation-stone of St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, laid (*June* 28). Manchester and Sheffield Railway opened (*Dec.*).	The Tractarian W. G. Ward deprived of his degrees at Oxford, on account of his *Ideal of the Christian Church.* Dr. Newman definitely secedes to the Roman Church (*Oct.*); with him or soon after go Oakeley, St. John, Faber, and others. The railway mania. An enormous number of new railway undertakings launched. In one week new schemes involving a capital of nearly £100,000,000 were announced. The last day for sending in plans for next session of Parliament was Nov. 30. A month earlier it was calculated that 1428 new railways had been registered, with over £700,000,000 of capital. The case of the *Felicidade* (a slaver) tried (*July*). Conviction afterwards quashed on a technical point.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Peel: Russell. Gladstone rejoins the Government as Secretary for the Colonies, but remains without a seat till next year (*Jan.*). Peel proposes the repeal of the Corn Laws, to take effect in three years. Meantime a maximum duty of 10 shillings when wheat stands at 48 shillings, and lowest 4 shillings when it stands at 53 shillings. Second reading of the Bill carried by majority of 88 (*Mar.* 27). Second reading carried in the Lords by majority of 47 (*May* 28). Disraeli conspicuous for his attacks on Peel. Lord Ashley's Factory Bill (limiting hours of young people to 10 a day) thrown out by 10 votes (*May*). Budget shows a revenue and expenditure of about £51,000,000 (*May* 29). Irish Coercion Bill introduced. The Ministry defeated on the second reading by a coalition of Repealers, Liberals, and Protectionists (292 to 219 votes) (*June* 25). Peel's Ministry resigns. Lord John Russell forms a Liberal Cabinet, including Lord Palmerston, Foreign Secretary; Sir G. Grey, Home Secretary; Earl Grey, Colonial Secretary; Sir C. Wood,	First Sikh war continued. Battles of Aliwal (*Jan.* 28) and Sobraon (*Feb.* 10). Treaty of Lahore, by which the Sikhs came under a sort of protectorate, closes the war (*Mar.* 9). The question of the "Spanish Marriages" becomes serious. Tension between the English and French Governments. In spite of the English protests, the marriages take place (*Oct.*). Labuan ceded to the British.	R. Browning, *Luria; A Soul's Tragedy.* Dickens, *Dombey and Son; Pictures from Italy* (in the *Daily News*); *The Battle of Life.* G. Grote, *History of Greece* (completed in 1856). L. Hunt, *Wit and Humour.* Trench, *Notes on the Parables.* Marriage of Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett (*Sept.* 12). Death of J. Hookham Frere, translator of *Aristophanes* (*Jan.* 7). The *Daily News* established, with Charles Dickens as editor (*Jan.* 21).
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Chancellor of the Exchequer (*June* 27–30). Split among the Repealers—the Physical Force Party secede under Smith O'Brien (*July*).	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of John Liston, comedian (*Mar.* 22). Turner's *Queen Mab's Grotto* exhibited. Landseer's *Peace and War* exhibited at the R. A. B. Haydon commits suicide (*June* 22). Saltmarsh Collection sold for £46,000 (*June*). Mendelssohn's *Elijah* produced at the Birmingham Musical Festival (*Aug.* 26). Wyatt's colossal equestrian statue of the Duke of Wellington placed on the arch at Hyde Park Corner (*Sept.* 30). Balfe becomes conductor at the Royal Italian Opera. Boat Race won by Cambridge (course, Mortlake to Putney; outriggers first used). Derby won by Pyrrhus. First cricket match at the Oval (*April* 16).	Gun-cotton, invented by Schönbein at Basel, exhibited at the Royal Institution (*Jan.*). Railway between London and Ramsgate opened (*April* 13). Royal Commission reports in favour of the narrow gauge on railways (*April*). Opening of the North British Railway (*June*). Discovery of Neptune by Galle of Berlin, in accordance with the calculations of Le Verrier (*Sept.*). Possibly seen by Prof. Challis, in accordance with Adams' calculations, a month earlier. Sewing-machine, invented by Howe of Massachusetts, introduced into England by Thomas. Introduction of the use of ether as an anæsthetic (*Dec.*).	In this year 4800 miles of new railway are sanctioned by Acts of Parliament. Great depression in railway shares. No sale for them. "Probably there is not a single new company at this moment in which the majority of shareholders would not vote for abandonment" (*Times*). Rapid amalgamation of railway companies commences. Potato famine in Ireland. Famine, rioting, and outrage. People buy firearms in large quantities. Birth of Princess Helena Augusta (*May* 25). Private White, of the 7th Hussars, flogged to death (150 lashes) at Hounslow Barracks (*June* 15). The Evangelical Alliance formed (*Aug.*). Great hailstorm in London. Seven thousand panes of glass broken in the new Palace of Westminster alone (*Aug.* 1). Wheat sold at Uxbridge for 88 shillings a quarter (*Dec.* 31).

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Russell. Fresh measures for the relief of Ireland. Money advanced to buy seed, to reclaim land, &c. £10,000,000 granted (*Jan.*). Corn and Navigation Laws suspended till Feb. 1848. Budget shows surplus of £2,000,000, apart from the special relief for Ireland. Fielden's Factory Bill passed. Parliament dissolved. General Election results in small majority, about 25 or 30, for the Liberals. Macaulay rejected for Edinburgh. Death of O'Connell (*May* 15). Irish Unions repudiate their engagements to repay advances made to them by Government (*Aug.*). New Parliament (the third) meets (*Nov.* 23). Fresh Irish Coercion Bill introduced by Sir G. Grey.	Kaffir war.	A. Brontë, *Agnes Grey.* C. Brontë, *Jane Eyre.* E. Brontë, *Wuthering Heights.* Dickens, *The Haunted Man.* Disraeli, *Tancred.* Helps, *Friends in Council* (first series). Hood, *Poems of Wit and Humour.* L. Hunt, *Men, Women, and Books; A Jar of Honey from Mount Hybla.* Lane, Translation of the *Arabian Nights.* A. Tennyson, *The Princess.* Thackeray, *Vanity Fair.* Ant. Trollope, *Macdermotts of Ballycloran.*

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of W. Collins, R.A., painter (*Feb.* 17). Covent Garden Theatre opened as an opera-house by Lumley. Alboni's début as Semiramide (*April* 6). Reappearance of Grisi and Tamburini. Part of the new Palace of Westminster (House of Lords) opened for use (*April* 15). E. M. Ward's *South Sea Bubble* exhibited at the R. A. Jenny Lind in London. Her first appearance, as Alice, in *Robert le Diable*, at Covent Garden (*May* 4). Royal Commission on the Fine Arts selects pictures by Noel Paton, G. F. Watts, Armitage, Horsley, Pickersgill, Poole, Lauder, and Cross, for the decoration of the Palace of Westminster. Madame Vestris and Charles Mathews take the management of the Lyceum. Début of Sims Reeves as Edgardo in *Lucia di Lammermoor* (*Dec.* 6). Great Shakspeare night at Covent Garden Theatre, to raise funds for the purchase of Shakspeare's house (*Dec.* 7). No University Boat Race. Derby won by The Cossack.	The Society of Arts organises a free exhibition of British manufactures (*Mar.*). Paraffin procured from mineral oil by James Young. Trent Valley Railway opened (*June* 26). Berwick and Newcastle Railway opened (*July* 1). Hall & Sons begin the manufacture of gun-cotton at Faversham. Frightful explosion killed over 70 persons (*July* 14). Chloroform used as an anæsthetic during surgical operations by Dr. Simpson of Edinburgh (*Nov.* 12). Queen's Speech at opening of Parliament telegraphed at speed of 55 words a minute all over the kingdom (*Nov.* 24). Leichardt commences his last fatal journey from Moreton Bay, with object of crossing Australia (*Nov.*). Grove publishes his Lectures on the Correlation of Physical Forces.	Irish famine. Voluntary subscriptions. The Queen heads the list with £2000. Outrages in Ireland. Parish priests denounce landlords from the altar by name, and practically suggest their assassination (*Oct.*). Archbishop M'Hale justifies their proceedings (*Nov.* 26). Commercial disasters. Bank rate goes up to 8 per cent. Consols fall to 84. Railway shares fall very heavily (*Sept.*). Panic in the city. Bank rate goes up to 12 per cent. (*Oct.* 23), and the Bank Charter Act is suspended by the Government (*Oct.* 25). Protest of bishops and clergy against the appointment of Dr. Hampden to the see of Hereford. He is, however, elected by the Chapter (*Dec.* 28).

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Russell. Jewish Disabilities Bill, to admit Jews to Parliament, passes the Commons (207 to 204 votes), but is rejected by the Lords (*Feb.–May*). Budget shows expenditure and revenue of about 54½ millions. Income-tax at 7d. renewed for three years. Abortive Chartist demonstration on Kennington Common. A quarter of a million special constables enrol themselves (*April* 10). The petition presented to the House of Commons turns out to have less than 2,000,000 signatures, many of them obviously fraudulent. Irish Confederation at Dublin. Appeals to the people to rise in arms made in newspapers. Aid solicited from the new French Republic. Sir G. Grey's "Gagging Act" passed (*April*). Quarrels between the Physical Force Party (Smith O'Brien, Mitchel, &c.) and the O'Connell party. Break-up of the latter (*June*). Habeas Corpus Act suspended in Ireland (*July*). Abortive attempt at insurrection in Ireland. Encounter between the Irish police and the followers of Smith O'Brien at Ballingarry (*July* 29).	Orange River Territory, recently occupied by the Boers, annexed (*Feb.* 3). [French Revolution. Flight of Louis Philippe (*Feb.* 22–26).] The French Republic recognised by Great Britain. Rupture of diplomatic relations with Spain. Revolt of Sikhs at Mooltan leads to second Sikh war. HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Smith O'Brien and others tried for high-treason and sentenced to death (*Sept.* 21–23). Sentences afterwards commuted to transportation. Irish Encumbered Estates Act passed. Arrest and conviction of Chartists in many parts of England.	M. Arnold, *The Strayed Reveller, and other Poems.* Clough, *The Bothie of Tober-na-Vuolich.* Forster, *Life of Goldsmith.* Froude, *Nemesis of Faith.* Eliz. Gaskell, *Mary Barton.* L. Hunt, *The Town.* C. Kingsley, *The Saint's Tragedy.* Macaulay, *History of England from the Accession of James II.* (vols. i. and ii.). J. S. Mill, *Principles of Political Economy.* J. H. Newman, *Loss and Gain.* Senior, *Political Economy.* Thackeray, *Book of Snobs.* Death of Isaac D'Israeli, historian of literature (*Jan.* 19). Death of Captain Marryat, novelist (*Aug.* 9). Death of Emily Brontë, novelist (*Dec.* 19).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
G. F. Watts' *Fata Morgana* exhibited. Opening of St. George's (R.C.) Cathedral, Southwark (*July* 4). The Stowe Collection sold for over £75,000 (*Aug.–Sept.*). Riots at Drury Lane, owing to a French company being engaged (*June* 15). Sims Reeves appears at Her Majesty's Theatre. Chopin visits London (*Nov.*). George Honey's first appearance in London (*Nov.*). Charles Heath, engraver, died (*Nov.* 18). No University Boat Race. Derby won by Surplice.	The Franklin Expedition desert the *Erebus* and *Terror* (*April*). Leichardt's expedition last heard of (*April*). Chester and Holyhead Railway opened as far as Bangor (*May* 1). The Great Southern and Western Railway of Ireland opened (*July* 1). George Stephenson, engineer, died (*Aug.* 12). South-Western Railway of Scotland opened from Dumfries to Carlisle (*Aug.* 22). Great Northern Railway opened from Peterborough to Lincoln (*Oct.* 17). Railway from Reading to Basingstoke opened (*Nov.* 1).	The Duke of Wellington calls the attention of the public, by a letter to the *Morning Chronicle*, to the undefended condition of the south-east coast, and the unwillingness of the Government to strengthen it (*Jan.* 4). Dr. Wiseman made Archbishop of Westminster (*Jan.*). Death of Dr. Howley, Archbishop of Canterbury (*Feb.* 11). Dr. Sumner succeeds him. Consols fall to 79¾. Chartist riots in London, Glasgow, &c. (*Mar.*). Ernest Jones becomes prominent as a Chartist leader. Birth of Princess Louise (*Mar.* 18).

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Russell. The Corn Laws cease to exist (*Jan.* 31). Habeas Corpus Act again suspended in Ireland by Act of Parliament (*Feb.–April*). The old Navigation Laws practically repealed (*Feb.*). Trelawney's motion for abolishing Church-rates defeated by 183 votes to 20 (*Mar.* 13). Further pecuniary assistance to Ireland voted by Parliament. Encumbered Estates Court erected in Ireland. Cobden engages in an agitation to diminish military and naval expenditure, and also for lowering the franchise. Protectionist meetings held to protest against the abolition of the Corn Laws.	Second Sikh war. Indecisive battle of Chillianwallah (*Jan.* 13). British victory at Goojerat (*Feb.* 21). Annexation of the Punjaub, and end of the second Sikh war (*Mar.* 29). Rioting at Montreal. The Governor-General attacked. Strong feeling aroused at Cape Town by an attempt to convert Simons Bay into a convict settlement (*July*). Sympathy in England, especially amongst Liberals, for the Hungarians and Italians struggling against Austria.	Aytoun, *Lays of the Scottish Cavaliers.* C. Brontë, *Shirley.* Clough, *Ambarvalia.* Dickens, *David Copperfield.* C. Kingsley, *Alton Locke.* Layard, *Nineveh and its Remains.* Sir G. C. Lewis, *Influence of Authority in Matters of Opinion.* Sir E. B. Lytton, *The Caxtons* (completed). Maitland, *The Reformation in England.* Ruskin, *Seven Lamps of Architecture.* Thackeray, *Pendennis; Dr. Birch.* Thomson, *Outlines of the Laws of Thought.* Death of Hartley Coleridge (*Jan.* 6). Death of Maria Edgeworth (*May* 21). Death of Countess of Blessington (*June* 4). Death of Horace Smith (*July* 12).

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Olympic Theatre, London, burnt down (*Mar.* 29). Pictures by the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood attract notice—especially Hunt's *Rienzi*, Millais' *Lorenzo and Isabella*, and Rossetti's *Girlhood of Mary Virgin*. Prince Albert, at a meeting at Buckingham Palace, proposes the holding of an Exhibition of the Works of All Nations (*June* 30). Death of Peter de Wint, water-colour painter (*June* 30). Madame Sontag reappears in Italian opera after 20 years' retirement (*July* 7). Death of William Etty, R.A., painter (*Nov.* 13). University Boat Race rowed twice; the first race won by Cambridge, the second won by Oxford. Derby won by Flying Dutchman.	Discovery of ethyl by Edward Frankland. Opening of the Shrewsbury and Birmingham Railway (*Nov.* 12). Livingstone reaches Lake Ngami. Steam-plough patented by Calloway and Purkes. Dr. Snow's researches on cholera. Death of Sir M. J. Brunel, engineer (*Dec.* 12).	Trial and execution of Rush for the murder of the Jermy family at Stanfield Hall (*Mar.–April*). Cholera in England all the year. In London alone 13,000 died from it during the summer. Strong feeling shown by the shareholders of certain railways with regard to the financial operations of Hudson, the Railway King. Visit of the Queen and Royal Family to Cork, Dublin, and Belfast. The Gorham case in the ecclesiastical courts. Trial of the Mannings for the murder of the Custom-House officer O'Connor (*Oct.* 25, 26). The execution on Nov. 13 was witnessed by Dickens, who, in consequence, attacked the system of public executions in the *Times*.

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Russell. Irish Unions still in arrears in repaying funds advanced to them. Longer time given, and a fresh loan made. Disraeli proposes a committee of inquiry on the new Poor Law. Lost by 273 votes to 252 (*Feb.* 19). Budget shows a surplus of about 1½ millions, the expenditure being about £50,613,000. Cobden proposes a reduction of expenditure. Proposal to abolish the Irish Viceroyalty made by the Government. Oxford University Commission appointed (*Aug.* 31). Death of Sir R. Peel (*July* 2). Attack on Palmerston's foreign policy by Roebuck. Government majority, 310 to 264 (*June* 24). Baron Rothschild, elected member for the City of London in 1847, not allowed to take his seat, as he refuses to take the oath on the New Testament (*July* 26).	Blockade of the Piræus by British squadron in consequence of the refusal of the Greek Government to pay the claims due to Mr. Finlay and Don Pacifico, British subjects (*Jan.* 18–*April* 26). Clayton-Bulwer treaty with the United States signed (*April* 19). Victoria made an independent colony, with Melbourne as the capital. Correspondence with the Austrian Government in consequence of the attack made on General Haynau, the "Austrian Butcher," by Barclay & Co.'s men (*Sept.*). Kaffir insurrection (*Dec.*).	R. Browning, *Christmas Eve and Easter Day.* Carlyle, *Latter Day Pamphlets.* Wilkie Collins, *Antonina.* Eliz. Gaskell, *Moorland Cottage.* Leigh Hunt, *Autobiography; Table-Talk.* Anna Jameson, *Legends of the Monastic Orders.* Harriet Martineau, *History of the Thirty Years' Peace.* Merivale, *History of the Romans under the Empire* (vol. i.). F. Newman, *Phases of Faith.* J. H. Newman, *Anglican Difficulties.* D. G. Rossetti and others, *The Germ* (only 4 numbers). Thackeray, *The Kicklebury on the Rhine; Rebecca and Rowena.* Tennyson, *In Memoriam.* Wordsworth, *The Prelude* (written 1805). Death of F. Jeffrey, critic (*Jan.* 21). Death of Wordsworth, Poet Laureate (*April* 23). Tennyson becomes Poet Laureate (*Nov.*). *Household Words* established. Death of Jane Porter, novelist (*May* 23).

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The Arts and Sport.

Meetings held to support the Great Exhibition of 1851. The plan opposed by Lord Brougham, Col. Sibthorp, and others in Parliament.

Paxton's designs accepted (*July*).

First appearance of Arabella Goddard (*Mar.* 30).

Mrs. Glover, actress, dies (*July* 16).

Millais' *Christ in the House of His Parents* exhibited.

Attacks on the Pre-Raphaelites in nearly every paper.

Charles Kean becomes manager of the Princess's Theatre.

Sir Martin Archer Shea, P.R.A., died (*Aug.* 19). He is succeeded by Sir C. Eastlake.

Richard Doyle leaves the staff of *Punch* in consequence of its attacks on the new Roman Catholic hierarchy. Tenniel's first contribution to *Punch*.

The Nineveh reliefs presented to the British Museum by Mr. Layard.

Removal of the Marble Arch from Buckingham Palace to Cumberland Gate.

No University Boat Race.

Derby won by Voltigeur.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Lieut. Waghorn, originator of the Overland Route to India, died (*Jan.* 8).

Opening of the Britannia Tubular Bridge over the Menai Strait (*Mar.* 5).

Robert Stevenson, lighthouse engineer, dies (*July* 12).

Great Northern Railway opened from King's Cross to Peterborough (*Aug.* 5).

First submarine telegraph laid between England and France (*Aug.* 28).

Publication of Faraday's researches in atmospheric magnetism.

Table-turning introduced from America.

Miscellaneous.

Agitation against "the sweating system," which had been going on for some time, became more active. Talk about Christian Socialism.

Great hurricane (*Feb.* 5).

Dr. Achilli, who states that he has escaped from the dungeons of the Inquisition, holds Protestant meetings (*Mar.*).

Judicial Committee of the Privy Council decide Mr. Gorham's appeal in his favour (*Mar.* 8). The Bishop of Exeter (Dr. Philpott) refuses to institute Mr. Gorham. Much excitement among Churchmen.

Birth of Prince Arthur, afterwards Duke of Connaught (*May* 1).

The affair of Prince and the Agapemone before the courts.

The Koh-i-noor diamond presented to her Majesty by the East India Company (*July* 3).

A Roman Catholic hierarchy established in England, under Dr. Wiseman, Archbishop of Westminster, by Papal Bull (*Sept.* 24). A violent explosion of Protestant indignation follows. Lord John Russell writes his famous letter to the Bishop of Durham, attacking both Roman Catholics and Tractarians (*Nov.*). Many hundreds of meetings held

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during the winter to denounce the "Papal Aggression."

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Russell. Disraeli's motion, that the Government ought to introduce measures to alleviate the distress among occupiers and owners of land, rejected by 281 votes against 267 (*Feb.* 12). Locke King carries the first reading of a Bill to give the franchise in counties to £10 householders (as in towns), which is carried by 100 to 52 against the Government (*Feb.* 21). In consequence of the defeat, Lord John Russell resigns; but Lord Stanley, who was sent for, being unwilling to try to form a ministry, Lord John Russell resumed office (*Feb.* 22). The Ecclesiastical Titles Act, which declares the Papal Bull of 1850 null and void, and imposes fines of £100 on all who attempt to carry it into effect, is passed (*Feb.–Aug.*). Window-tax abolished. Jewish Disabilities Bill passed the Commons, but thrown out by the Lords (*July* 17). Alderman Salomons, a Jew, M.P. for Greenwich, attempts to take his seat, in spite of the order of the Speaker (*July* 18).	Gold discoveries in Australia lead to a great influx of settlers. Gladstone's letter to Lord Aberdeen on the Neapolitan political prisoners sent by Lord Palmerston to the British Ambassadors on the Continent (*Aug.*). Kossuth received in England with much enthusiasm (*Oct.*). [Louis Napoleon's *Coup d'État* (*Dec.* 2)]. Palmerston recognises the *Coup d'État*, and expresses to the French Ambassador his general approval. This leads to tension between the Queen and the Foreign Secretary, whom in a Memorandum she accuses of "failing in sincerity towards the Crown," and in consequence dismisses him (*Dec.* 17). Lord Granville succeeds as Foreign Secretary (*Dec.* 17). Kaffir war. Unsuccessful operations.	E. B. Browning, *Casa Guidi Windows.* Carlyle, *Life of John Sterling.* Creasy, *Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World.* Dickens, *Child's History of England* (continued till 1854 in *Household Words*). Kingsley, *Yeast* (in *Fraser's Magazine*). Maurice, Kingsley, &c., *Christian Socialism.* Lytton, *Not so Bad as We Seem.* Mansel, *Prolegomena Logica.* Spencer, *Social Statics.* Trench, *Study of Words.* Death of Mary Shelley, novelist (*Feb.* 21). Death of Joanna Baillie (*Feb.* 23). Death of Dr. Lingard, historian (*July* 13). Thackeray gives his lectures on the English Humourists, at Willis's Rooms.

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Macready's farewell performance at Drury Lane in the part of Macbeth (*Feb.* 26). Opening of the Great Exhibition in Hyde Park by the Queen (*May* 1). It was kept open till October, and the total receipts from all sources were over £500,000. Opening of the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge. Lytton's comedy, *Not so Bad as We Seem*, performed by Dickens, Jerrold, and other amateurs, before the Queen at Devonshire House (*May* 16). Holman Hunt's *Two Gentlemen of Verona* exhibited. Opening of the Flaxman Gallery, University College, London. Death of W. Wyon, medallist (*Oct.* 29). Death of J. M. W. Turner, R.A. (*Dec.* 19). Charles Keene's first contribution to *Punch*. No University Boat Race. The Derby won by Teddington.	Gold discovered near Bathurst, in Australia, by Edward Hargreaves (*Feb.* 21). Collodion invented by F. Scott Archer, and announced in the *Chemist* (*Mar.*). Museum of Practical Geology, Jermyn Street, opened (*May*). St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, opened (*June*). Discovery of ironstone at Cleveland, leading to development of Middlesbrough and surrounding district. Death of Commander Gardiner, missionary and explorer, in Picton Island (*Sept.*). Formal opening of Owens College, Manchester (*Oct.* 3). Opening of electric telegraph between London and Paris (*Nov.*).	Father Gavazzi, an Italian priest, who has renounced the Roman Church, holds anti-Popery meetings (*Jan.*). Royal Commission appointed to inquire into Dublin University (*Feb.*). Bloomer costumes first seen in England. United Kingdom Alliance established (*June* 1). Census taken. Population of England and Wales, 17,914,768; Scotland, 2,870,784; Ireland, 6,515,794. This shows a decrease of about 1½ millions in Ireland.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Russell: Derby: Aberdeen. Militia Bill introduced. Lord Palmerston defeats the Government by 136 to 126 votes on a verbal amendment (*Feb.* 20). Lord John Russell resigns, and Lord Derby forms a Cabinet: Earl of Derby, First Lord of the Treasury; Disraeli, Chancellor of the Exchequer; H. S. Walpole, Home Secretary; Earl of Malmesbury, Foreign Secretary; Sir J. Pakington, Colonial Secretary; Lord St. Leonards, Lord Chancellor. St. Albans disfranchised for corruption. New Militia Bill. Budget shows a deficit of about two millions, without income-tax, which is therefore again renewed. Expenditure about £51,000,000. General Election. Conservatives, about 299; Liberals, 315; Peelites, 40. Further financial proposals. Reduction of duties on malt, hops, and tea; additional taxes on inhabited houses. Income-tax extended to Ireland. The new Government defeated (*Dec.* 16). The Earl of Aberdeen (Peelite) forms a Coalition Ministry of Liberals and Peelites: Earl of Aberdeen, First Lord of the Treasury; Gladstone,	Kaffir war continues. Gold fever in Australia. The Transvaal Republic, founded by Prætorius and other rebel Boers, granted independence (*Jan.* 17). New Zealand is given representative institutions. Second Burmese war. Rangoon taken (*April* 14), Pegu taken (*Nov.* 21).	J. P. Collier, *Notes and Emendations to the Plays of Shakspeare.* Dickens, *Bleak House.* Sir W. Hamilton, *Discussions on Philosophy and Literature.* A. Jameson, *Legends of the Madonna.* Newman, *Scope and Nature of University Education.* Reade, *Peg Woffington.* Henry Rogers, *The Eclipse of Faith.* Thackeray, *Esmond.* Death of T. Moore, poet (*Feb.* 25).
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Chancellor of the Exchequer; Palmerston, Home Secretary; Lord J. Russell, Foreign Secretary; Duke of Newcastle, Colonial Secretary; Sidney Herbert, Secretary of War; Sir J. Graham, First Lord of the Admiralty. The Duke of Argyll and Sir W. Molesworth also hold office.	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of Samuel Prout, painter (*Feb.* 9). Millais' *Huguenot* and his *Ophelia* exhibited at the R. A. Spohr conducts his opera *Faust* in London (*July*). First appearance of Toole in London, at the Haymarket Theatre (*July* 22). Death of A. W. Pugin, architect (*Sept.* 14). First exhibition of photographs at the Society of Arts, Adelphi (*Dec.* 22). New House of Commons completed and used (*Nov.*). *Masks and Faces*, by Charles Reade, produced at the Haymarket (*Nov.*). Frances Kemble reads *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, accompanied by Mendelssohn's music, at the Norwich Festival. Berlioz conducts at the Philharmonic concerts, and at his opera *Benvenuto Cellini* (*June*). University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Daniel O'Rourke.	Models of extinct geological animals constructed at the Crystal Palace. Submarine telegraph laid between England and Ireland (*June* 1). Metropolitan Burial Act comes into force (*July*). Broad-gauge railway between London and Birmingham opened (*Sept.* 30). First message on submarine telegraph between London and Paris (*Nov.* 1). Free Libraries maintained by rates opened at Manchester, Oxford, Liverpool, &c.	Great devastation caused at Holmfirth, in Yorkshire, by the bursting of a reservoir (*Feb.* 5). Wreck of the *Birkenhead*, carrying troops for the Kaffir war (*Feb.* 25). The libel case of Achilli *v.* Newman. Verdict for the plaintiff. Achilli had been a Romish priest, and was now engaged in vilifying his former religion. Strong anti-Romish feeling still shown both in and out of Parliament. The Duke of Wellington died (*Sept.* 14). Splendid state funeral at St. Paul's (*Nov.* 18). Convocations of Canterbury and York allowed to meet for the despatch of business, for the first time since 1717 (*Nov.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Aberdeen. Gladstone (Chancellor of the Exchequer) proposes a plan for simplifying the National Debt, by conversion of certain stocks and other changes (*April* 8). Gladstone's first Budget; 123 dutiable articles set free, and the duty on 133 others reduced. Income-tax retained at 7d., but to be diminished by a penny each succeeding year. The income-tax is extended to Ireland, and a succession duty imposed (*April–May*). Jewish Disabilities Bill again rejected by the Lords, after passing the Commons (*April*). East India Act passed, limiting the powers of the East India Company, and continuing them only until Parliament should otherwise determine (*Aug.*). Lord Palmerston for a time resigned, it was thought in consequence of disagreement as to the coming Reform scheme of the Ministry; really, however, because he thought the Government not sufficiently firm in dealing with Russia. He rejoined the Ministry in a few days (*Dec.* 16–27).	The Czar Nicholas seeks for an understanding with England as to the division of the Ottoman territories (*Jan.*). Kaffir war comes to an end, and Kaffraria is annexed to Cape Colony (*Feb.*). The Eastern Question becomes very serious. Lord Stratford de Redcliffe's diplomatic duel with Prince Menschikoff at Constantinople (*April–May*). Conference of the plenipotentiaries of Great Britain, France, Austria, and Prussia at Vienna. The Vienna Note rejected (*July* 31). Fleets of England and France pass the Dardanelles (*Oct.* 14). Owing to the destruction of the Turkish squadron at Sinope by the Russians (*Nov.* 30), the fleets of the allied Powers ordered to enter the Black Sea (*Dec.*). A Parliament given to Cape Colony by an Order in Council. Abolition of the Canada Clergy Reserves (*May*).	M. Arnold, *Empedocles on Etna.* C. Brontë, *Villette.* Carlyle, *The Nigger Question.* L. Hunt, *Religion of the Heart.* C. Kingsley, *Hypatia.* Landor, *Last Fruit off an Old Tree.* Lytton, *My Novel.* Reade, *Christie Johnstone.* Alex. Smith, *A Life Drama, and Other Poems.* Thackeray, *The English Humourists.* Wallace, *Travels on the Amazon and Rio Negro.* C. M. Yonge, *Heir of Redcliffe.* *Encyclopædia Britannica*, eighth edition, begun. Death of F. W. Robertson (*Aug.* 15). Death of Amelia Opie, novelist (*Dec.* 2).

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Buckstone becomes manager of the Haymarket (*Mar.*). Hunt's *Claudio and Isabella* exhibited. Opening of the Dublin Exhibition (*May*). Production of Verdi's *Rigoletto* in London. The Queen lays the foundation-stone of Balmoral Castle (*Sept.* 29). T. F. Robson appears in the burlesque of *Shylock*, and also in the *Wandering Minstrel*, in which he sings *Villikins and his Dinah*. No University Boat Race. The Derby won by West Australian.	Livingstone crosses Africa from the Zambezi to Loanda. The North-West Passage discovered by Captain M'Clure in the *Investigator* (*Oct.*). Saltaire alpaca manufactory opened (*Sept.*).	Jubilee of the British and Foreign Bible Society, which announces that it has circulated 43,000,000 copies of the Scriptures (*Mar.* 8). Birth of Prince Leopold (*April* 7). Cholera again in England (*Sept.*). F. D. Maurice dismissed from his professorships at King's College, Strand, on account of certain statements as to the duration of the punishment of the wicked (*Oct.*). Wellington College founded. Dr. E. W. Benson the first headmaster.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Aberdeen. Attacks on the Government for their vacillating policy. A Reform Bill brought forward by the Government, lowering the franchise and redistributing about 25 seats (*Feb.*). This was afterwards withdrawn. Vote taken for £1,250,000 for warlike purposes (*Mar.* 6). In consequence of the war, the income-tax is doubled, and other taxes increased (*May*). Bright and the Peace Party denounce the war. Oxford University Act passed (*July*). Office of Secretary of State for War separated from that of Colonial Secretary. The office of Secretary at War abolished (*July*). A fresh session of Parliament begins (*Dec.* 12). Attacks on the Government for the mismanagement of the war. Great indignation throughout the country on account of the revelations of Dr. Russell, the *Times* correspondent.	The Guards and other troops sent to the East (*Feb.*). A fleet of steam-vessels under Sir C. Napier sails for the Baltic. Dinner at the Reform Club to the Admiral, at which Palmerston and Graham make boasting speeches (*Mar.* 7). Declaration of war in the *London Gazette* (*Mar.* 28). Bombardment of Odessa by the English and French fleets (*April* 22). Cholera at Varna (*July*). Nothing done until September, when the invasion of the Crimea is ordered. Allied troops to the number of about 55,000 land at Eupatoria (*Sept.* 14). Battle of the Alma (*Sept.* 20). Allies take up their position at Balaclava (*Sept.* 28). Battle of Balaclava (*Oct.* 25). Battle of Inkerman (*Nov.* 5). Florence Nightingale arrives at Scutari (*Nov.* 5). Great storm wrecks the ships arriving with stores (*Nov.* 14). Breakdown of the commissariat and land-transport departments. Orange River Territory given up to the Boers, and becomes a republic (*Mar.* 1854).	Ainsworth, *Flitch of Bacon.* Allingham, *Day and Night Songs.* Aytoun, *Firmilian, a Spasmodic Tragedy.* Dickens, *Hard Times* (in *Household Words*). Dobell, *Balder.* Massey, *Ballad of Babe Christabel.* Hugh Miller, *My Schools and Schoolmasters.* Milman, *History of Latin Christianity.* Patmore, *The Angel in the House.* Reade and Tom Taylor, *Masks and Faces.* Thackeray, *The Newcomes* (completed next year). Trench, *English Past and Present.* Death of John Wilson (Christopher North) (*April* 3). Death of James Montgomery (*April* 30). Death of Susan Ferrier (*Nov.* 5). Death of J. G. Lockhart (*Nov.* 25).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of John Martin, painter (*Feb.* 17). The Crystal Palace at Sydenham opened by the Queen (*June* 10). Frith's *Ramsgate Sands*, and Hunt's *Light of the World*, exhibited at the R. A. St. George's Hall, Liverpool, opened (*Sept.* 18). Grisi's farewell performances. University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Andover.	News of Sir John Franklin reaches England through Dr. Rae, who heard from the Eskimo of the total loss of the expedition in 1850 (*Oct.*). Death of Prof. Edward Forbes, naturalist (*Nov.* 18). The Minie rifle adopted in the army in place of the old musket.	Great snowstorm. Intense cold, which in London falls to 8 degrees below zero. Railways blocked. Coal famine in London (*Jan.* 3, 4). Moustaches permitted in the army (*July*). The Rev. C. H. Spurgeon becomes minister at New Park Street Chapel.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Aberdeen : Palmerston. Lord J. Russell, President of the Council, leaves the Ministry (*Jan.* 23). The Government is defeated on Roebuck's motion for an inquiry into the condition of the army in the Crimea, and the conduct of the departments at home, by 305 votes to 148 (*Jan.* 29). The Ministry having resigned, Lord John Russell and Lord Derby both fail to form a Government. Lord Palmerston becomes Prime Minister (*Feb.* 6). He retains most of the old Ministry, except the Duke of Newcastle. Sir J. Graham, Mr. Sidney Herbert, Mr. Gladstone, and other "Peelites" resign, on account of the appointment of the Crimean Inquiry Committee. Sir C. Wood goes to the Admiralty, Lord J. Russell becomes Colonial Secretary, and Sir G. C. Lewis Chancellor of the Exchequer (*Feb.* 28). The Budget shows an estimated revenue of £63,339,000, and an estimated expenditure, of £86,339,000. New loan of £16,000,000 to be raised. The income-tax to be advanced to 16d. on incomes over £150, 11½d. on incomes between £100 and £156. The newspaper duty finally repealed.	The Russian war continues. Sardinia joins the English and French alliance (*Jan.* 26). A fresh Conference at Vienna fails to find a basis for negotiations (*Mar.* 15–*April* 26). General La Marmora arrives with Sardinian troops at Balaclava (*May* 9). Capture and destruction of Kertch by the English Black Sea fleet (*May* 27). The French take the Mamelon (*June* 7). Unsuccessful attacks on the Redan and the Malakoff batteries (*June* 18). Death of Lord Raglan (*June* 24). He is succeeded by General Simpson. Battle of the Tchernaya (*Aug.* 16). The French take the Malakoff; the English fail to capture the Redan (*Sept.* 8). Sebastopol is at once evacuated by the Russians. Kars, defended by General Williams, capitulates to the Russians after a siege of six months (*Nov.* 25). Peace negotiations begin with Russia (*Dec.* 16).	Bailey, *Philosophy of the Human Mind* (completed 1863). R. Browning, *Men and Women.* R. Burton, *Pilgrimage to Mecca.* Dickens, *Little Dorrit* (begun). Dobell and Alex. Smith, *Sonnets on the War.* L. Hunt, *The Old Court Suburb.* C. Kingsley, *Glaucus, or the Wonders of the Shore; Westward Ho!* G. H. Lewes, *Life of Goethe.* Meredith, *Shaving of Shagpat.* F. W. Robertson, *Sermons* (first series). Spencer, *Principles of Psychology.* A. P. Stanley, *Sinai and Palestine.* Tom Taylor, *Still Waters run Deep.* Tennyson, *Maud.* Anthony Trollope, *The Warden.* The *Saturday Review* established (*Nov.*). Death of Mary R. Mitford (*Jan.* 10). Death of Julius Hare, theologian (*Jan.* 23). Death of Charlotte Brontë (Mrs. Nicholls), novelist (*Mar.* 31). Death of Samuel Rogers, poet (*Dec.* 18).

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The Bernal Collection of pictures, china, antiquities, &c., sold for £63,000 (*Feb.–Mar.*). Death of Copley Fielding, R.A. (*Mar.* 3). Death of Sir Henry Bishop, musician (*April* 30). Leighton's *Cimabue's Madonna carried in Triumph* exhibited. First production in London of Verdi's *Trovatore* and Meyerbeer's *L'Étoile du Nord.* Rosa Bonheur's *Horse Fair* exhibited in London. William Farren retires from the stage (*July*). Costa's oratorio of *Eli* performed at the Birmingham Festival (*Aug.*). Richard Wagner conducts a series of Philharmonic Concerts in London. The German-Reeds' entertainments, called *Illustrative Gatherings*, at St. Martin's Hall. No University Boat Race. The Derby won by Wild Dayrell.	Death of G. B. Greenough, the founder of the Geological Society (*April* 2). Death of Sir H. de la Beche, geologist (*April* 8). Victoria Docks, Plaistow, opened (*Nov.*).	Bread riots in London, Liverpool, &c. (*Feb.*). Visit of the Emperor and Empress of the French to the Queen at Windsor and Buckingham Palace (*April*). Distribution of war medals by the Queen to wounded Crimean soldiers (*May*). Lieut. Austin, governor of Birmingham jail, tried for cruelty to a boy prisoner who was driven to commit suicide. Found guilty, but only sentenced to three months' imprisonment (*Aug.*). The last Bartholomew Fair at Smithfield. Alderman Salomons becomes the first Jewish Lord Mayor of London. Victor Emmanuel, King of Sardinia, visits the Queen (*Nov.–Dec.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Palmerston. The right of the Crown to create life-peerages raised in the case of Sir James Parke, created Lord Wensleydale. The Government give way, and he is created a hereditary peer (*Feb.*). Education debates. Lord John Russell's proposals, which lead up to a system of State education, are rejected (*April* 11). A salaried Minister of Education appointed, under the name of Vice-President of the Council. An increased grant, £450,000 instead of £300,000, is made for the purposes of primary education. The Budget shows an estimated revenue of £71,740,000, and expenditure of £82,113,000. Total expense of the war about £77,000,000, of which £41,000,000 was added to the National Debt.	Conference at Paris to draw up the Treaty of Peace (*Feb.–April*). Treaty of Paris signed (*Mar.* 30). Annexation of Oude (*Feb.* 7). The Chinese officials seize the lorcha *Arrow* (*Oct.* 8). This leads to the second Chinese war. Canton bombarded by Admiral Seymour (*Nov.* 4). Outrage and murder by Chinese soldiers on board the *Thistle* (*Dec.* 30). The Persians having seized Herat (*Oct.* 13), war is declared. Bushire taken (*Dec.* 10).	E. B. Browning, *Aurora Leigh.* Dobell, *England in Time of War.* Froude, *History of England from the Fall of Wolsey* (vols. i., ii.). C. Kingsley, *The Heroes.* D. Mulock, *John Halifax, Gentleman.* C. Reade, *Never too Late to Mend.* C. M. Yonge, *The Daisy Chain.* Death of Sir W. Hamilton, philosopher (*May* 6). Hugh Miller, geologist and miscellaneous writer, committed suicide (*Dec.* 24).

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John Sheepshanks presents to the nation his collection of paintings and drawings, now at South Kensington (*Feb.*). Death of John Braham, singer (*Feb.* 17). Covent Garden Theatre destroyed by fire (*Mar.* 5). Rossetti's Triptych for Llandaff Cathedral exhibited. Sale of Samuel Rogers' collection for £49,000 (*April–May*). Mme. Schumann's first appearance in England, at the Philharmonic Concerts (*April*). Performance of Sunday bands in the public parks allowed by the Government; but discontinued, owing to the protests of the Archbishop of Canterbury and others. First appearance of Ristori at the Lyceum (*June*). Death of Madame Vestris, actress (*Aug.* 8). Death of Sir R. Westmacott, R.A., sculptor (*Sept.* 1). Tom Taylor's *Still Waters Run Deep*, produced at the Olympic (*Oct.*). Henry Leslie's choir founded. Publication of Owen Jones' *Grammar of Ornament.* University Boat Race won by Cambridge.	Death of Dean Buckland, geologist (*Aug.* 14). Aniline dyes discovered by W. A. Perkins. Tyndall's lectures on Light at the Royal Institution, illustrated by Dubosq's electric lamp. Gregory's Australian exploring expedition returns to Brisbane. Livingstone reaches Quilimane, having again crossed Africa, this time from W. to E. Livingstone returns to England after sixteen years' absence (*Dec.*). Bessemer patents his method of manufacturing iron and steel. THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*). The Derby won by Ellington.	First meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Jan.* 1). Trial and conviction of Palmer, the Rugeley poisoner (*May*). Suicide of Sadleir, banker and M.P. for Sligo, who had been guilty of enormous frauds, apparently to the value of half a million sterling, and caused the ruin of thousands of depositors and shareholders (*Feb.* 16). The Victoria Cross instituted (*Feb.*). Peace rejoicings (*May–June*). Return of troops from the Crimea. Banquets to the soldiers. Robson's frauds on the Crystal Palace Company, and Redpath's frauds in connection with the Great Northern Railway Stock detected (*Nov.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Palmerston. Income-tax reduced to 7d. on incomes above £150, 5d. on incomes between £100 and £150. The Government defeated in a resolution proposed by Cobden condemning the Chinese war, which is carried by a coalition of Conservatives, Peelites, and Cobdenite Radicals (*Mar.* 3). In consequence, Parliament is dissolved. In the General Election the Government is triumphant. Liberals 371, Conservatives 284. Bright and Cobden both defeated. New Parliament meets (*May*). Divorce Act passed (*May–Aug.*). The second session of the new Parliament opened (*Dec.* 3). Bill of Indemnity for infringement of the Bank Charter Act passed (*Dec.*).	Persian war brought to an end. The Persians to withdraw from Herat and respect the independence of Afghanistan. Treaty signed (*Mar.*). The Indian Mutiny begins with excitement at Dumdum about the greased cartridges (*Jan.*). Insubordination at Berhampore (*Feb.*), at Barrackpore (*Mar.*). Mutiny at Meerut and massacre of Europeans (*May* 10). Outbreak at Lucknow (*May* 30), and at Allahabad (*June* 6). Defence of the Residency at Lucknow (*June* 30–*Nov.* 17). Massacre at Cawnpore (*July* 15). Lord Canning's "clemency" proclamation (*July* 31). Defeats of the rebels by Neill, Greathed, Sir C. Campbell, &c. (*July–Dec.*). Capture of Delhi (*Nov.* 20). The affair of the *Cagliari* causes tension with the Neapolitan Government (*June*). Chinese war continued. Destruction of the Chinese fleet (*June*). Canton captured by the English and French (*Dec.* 29).	C. Brontë, *The Professor.* Buckle, *History of Civilisation* (vol. i.). Hughes, *Tom Brown's School-days.* C. Kingsley, *Two Years Ago.* Locker, *London Lyrics.* G. Macdonald, *Poems.* Miller, *Testimony of the Rocks.* Thackeray, *The Virginians* (begun). Anthony Trollope, *Barchester Towers.* Death of John Kemble (*Mar.* 26). Death of Douglas Jerrold (*June* 8).

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Formation of the National Portrait Gallery commenced (*Feb.*). Exhibition of Art Treasures at Manchester (*May*). Opening of the new reading-room at the British Museum (*May* 18). Rubinstein's first appearance in London at a Philharmonic Concert (*May* 18). Mme. Parepa's first appearance in London in *I Puritani*, at the Lyceum (*May*). South Kensington Museum and Royal School of Science and Art opened (*June* 22). Farewell performance of Alfred Wigan (*Aug.* 1). Sale of the Alton Towers Collection for £40,000 (*Sept.*). The Lyceum Theatre opened for English Opera by Harrison and Miss Pyne. C. Santley's first appearance in London, as Adam in the *Creation* (*Nov.*). University Boat Race won by Oxford. Keelless eights first used. The Derby won by Blink Bonny.	Death of Dr. Andrew Ure, chemist (*Jan.* 2). Death of the Rev. W. Scoresby, Arctic explorer (*Mar.* 21). The Suez Canal scheme, advocated by Lesseps in London, is opposed by English public opinion (*June*). Captain M'Clintock sails to find the relics of the Franklin expedition (*July* 1). Death of Dr. Marshall Hall, physiologist (*Aug.* 11). Unsuccessful attempt to lay the first Atlantic cable (*Aug.*). First meeting of the Social Science Association, at Birmingham (*Sept.* 12). Unsuccessful attempt to launch the *Leviathan* (*Great Eastern*) (*Nov.* 3). Burton and Speke's journey from Zanzibar. Photoheliograph erected at Kew from a suggestion of Sir John Herschel. Dr. Budd's researches on typhoid. Bright's disease recognised.	Destruction by fire of Whitefield's Tabernacle. James Townsend Saward ("Jem the Penman"), a barrister, transported for life for systematic forgery (*Mar.* 5). Princess Beatrice born (*April* 14). First distribution of the Victoria Cross, by the Queen in person, to Crimean heroes (*June* 26). Indian Mutiny Relief Fund instituted (*Aug.*). It soon reaches £340,000. Great commercial panic. Many large failures. The Bank rate raised to 9 per cent. in November. The Government suspends the Bank Charter Act (*Nov.* 12). The crisis rapidly subsides.

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Palmerston: Derby. Palmerston introduces the Conspiracy to Murder Bill, in consequence of Orsini's attempt. Ministry defeated on the second reading by 234 votes to 215 (*Feb.* 19). Lord Palmerston resigns, and the Earl of Derby forms a Ministry: Lord Derby, First Lord of the Treasury; Disraeli, Chancellor of the Exchequer; S. H. Walpole, Home Secretary; Lord Malmesbury, Foreign Secretary; Lord Stanley, Colonial Secretary; Col. Peel, War Secretary; Lord Chelmsford, Lord Chancellor; Lord Salisbury, Lord President of the Council. The Budget shows deficit of about four millions. Income-tax reduced to 5d. Stamps on bankers' cheques introduced (*April*). Property qualification of members of Parliament abolished. Indian Government reformed. The India Act passed (*Aug.*). Bill for the Abolition of Compulsory Church Rates passed by the Commons, but rejected by the Lords. Jews at length admitted to Parliament by a Bill which allowed either House of Parliament to modify the form of oath required of its own members. Baron Rothschild takes his seat as member for the City of London (*July* 26). Lord Stanley becomes the first Secretary of State for India, and Sir E. B. Lytton succeeds him as Colonial Secretary.	Orsini's attempt to assassinate Napoleon III. (*Jan.* 14), which had been contrived in London, leads to much ill feeling between France and England. Further defeat of the Indian mutineers. Lucknow captured by Sir Colin Campbell (*Mar.* 22). Victory of Sir H. Rose at Gwalior (*June*). The last vestiges of the Mutiny suppressed by the end of the year. The Chinese forts at the mouth of the Peiho river taken by the English and French (*May* 20). Treaty of Tien-Tsin (*June* 26). Ottawa made the capital of the two provinces of Canada (*Aug.* 7). Treaty of Jeddo signed with Japan (*Aug.* 21). The East India Company ceases to govern India (*Sept.* 1). The government transferred to a Viceroy and Council. A Secretary of State for India appointed.	M. Arnold, *Merope.* Carlyle, *Frederick the Great* (vols. i. and ii.). G. Eliot, *Scenes of Clerical Life.* Gladstone, *Studies on Homer.* Helps, *Oulita the Serf.* Lytton, *What will he Do with It?* Macdonald, *Phantastes.* Mansel, *Limits of Religious Thought* (Bampton Lectures). Masson, *Life of Milton* (vol. i.). W. Morris, *Defence of Guinevere, and Other Poems.* A. Procter, *Legends and Lyrics.* Ruskin, *Political Economy of Art.* Tennyson, *Idylls of the King* [*Enid, Vivien, Elaine, Guinevere*]. Anthony Trollope, *Dr. Thorne.* Death of G. Combe, phrenologist (*Aug.* 14).

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Death of Lady Boothby, formerly Mrs. Nisbett, actress (*Jan.* 16). First appearance in London of Mdlle. Tietjens in *Les Huguenots* at Her Majesty's (*April* 13). Frith's *Derby Day* and Landseer's *Maid and the Magpie* exhibited at the R. A. Opera House at Covent Garden, rebuilt from designs by E. Barry, opened (*May*). Opening of Aston Park and Hall at Birmingham by the Queen (*June* 15). Herold's *Zampa* produced at Covent Garden (*Aug.*). Leeds Town Hall opened (*Sept.* 6). New Adelphi Theatre opened under the management of Webster and Mme. Celeste (*Dec.* 27). University Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by Beadsman, the Prime Minister's Toxopholite running second.	The *Leviathan* (*Great Eastern*) launched (*Jan.* 31). Papers by Darwin and Wallace, advocating the doctrine of Evolution by Natural Selection, read before the Linnean Society (*July*). The first Atlantic cable successfully laid, but soon fails from some defect of insulation (*Aug.*). Lake Victoria Nyanza discovered by Speke (*Aug.*). Burton and Speke discover Lake Tanganyika. Donati's comet visible in England (*Sept.*). First scientific diagnosis of diphtheria, previously known as Boulogne sore throat.	London divided into postal districts (*Jan.* 1). Marriage of the Princess Royal to Prince Frederick William of Prussia (*Jan.* 25). Trial and acquittal at the Old Bailey of Dr. Bernard, accomplice of Orsini (*Feb.* 9–15). Anti-confessional excitement. Meetings at St. James's Hall, &c. Crinolines, re-introduced in 1855, become of enormous size. Robert Owen the socialist dies (*Nov.* 17). Rarey, the American horse-tamer, exhibits his performance in London.

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Derby: Palmerston. Walpole and Henley retire from the Ministry (*Jan.*). The Government proposes a Reform Bill, which assimilates the county to the borough franchise, and gives a vote to members of professions, university graduates, and persons having a certain amount of capital (*Feb.*). The Government is defeated on the second reading by 330 votes to 291 (*Mar.* 31). Parliament dissolved. General election: Liberals, 348; Conservatives, 305. Lord Derby's Government, being defeated on a no-confidence motion by 323 to 310 votes, resigns (*June* 10). On the failure of Lord Granville to form a Ministry, Lord Palmerston was sent for, and succeeded (*June* 20): Lord Palmerston, First Lord of the Treasury; Gladstone, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Sir G. C. Lewis, Home Secretary; Lord J. Russell, Foreign Secretary; Sidney Herbert, War Secretary; Duke of Newcastle, Colonial Secretary; Sir C. Wood, Indian Secretary; Lord Campbell, Lord Chancellor. Alarm in England on account of the proceedings of the French. The	The English Government attempt to mediate between Austria and France (*Jan.–Feb.*). [War of Italian Liberation (*April–July*).] The Chinese break the new treaty of Tien-Tsin. Queensland made a self-governing colony.	Barnes, *Hwomely Rhymes.* Darwin, *Origin of Species.* Dickens, *A Tale of Two Cities.* G. Eliot, *Adam Bede.* Sir W. Hamilton, *Lectures on Metaphysics.* Masson, *British Novelists.* G. Meredith, *The Ordeal of Richard Feverel.* J. S. Mill, *On Liberty.* J. M. Neale, *Translation of the Rhythm of Bernard of Morlaix.* Lord J. Russell, *Life of C. J. Fox.* *All the Year Round* established. *Macmillan's Magazine* established. *Once a Week* established. Death of De Quincey, essayist (*Jan.* 8). Death of H. Hallam, historian (*Jan.* 21). Death of Leigh Hunt, essayist (*Aug.* 27). Death of Lord Macaulay, historian (*Dec.* 28).
HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). modern Volunteer force inaugurated (*May*). This is resisted by Cobden, who calls it "mere Germanism." Increase in army and navy estimates. Expenditure £69,207,000. Income-tax raised to 9d.		

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Wellington College buildings opened by the Queen (*Jan.* 29). First Monday Popular Concert at St. James's Hall (*Feb.* 14). Opening of the Scottish National Gallery at Edinburgh (*Mar.* 21). Death of C. R. Leslie, R.A. (*May* 5). Death of David Cox, water-colour painter (*June* 15). Millais' *Vale of Rest.* The first Handel Festival at the Crystal Palace (*June* 20). Sale of Lord Northwick's pictures, realising £96,000 (*Aug.*). The church of All Saints, Margaret Street, consecrated (*Nov.* 1). Watts Phillipps' *Dead Heart* produced at the Adelphi (*Nov.* 12). James Ward, R.A., animal painter, dies (*Nov.* 23). University Boat Race won by Oxford; the Cambridge boat sank. The Derby won by Musjed. The Kent and Notts Cricket Clubs founded. George Parr's cricket team visit America.	The Armstrong gun adopted in the English army (*Mar.*). Trial trip of the *Great Eastern;* an explosion on board kills ten persons (*Sept.* 9). The Albert Railway Bridge, Saltash, designed by Brunel, opened (*May* 3). Darwin's *Origin of Species* causes much discussion. Death of I. K. Brunel, engineer (*Sept.* 15). Death of Robert Stephenson, engineer (*Oct.* 12). Return of Capt. M'Clintock, after having discovered the relics of the Franklin expedition (*Nov.*).	Public drinking-fountains first erected in large numbers (*April*). Destruction by fire of the troopship *Eastern Monarch*, at anchor at Spithead (*June* 2). The appeal in the great Thellusson will case, originally commenced in 1797, finally decided. Great strike and lockout in the London building trades (*July–Sept.*). The Smethurst poisoning case tried (*Aug.*). The prisoner Smethurst was sentenced to death, but granted a free pardon by the Home Secretary. Anti-Puseyite riots at St. George's-in-the-East, apparently connived at by police and magistrates (*Aug.–Feb.* 1860). Wreck of the *Royal Charter*, with loss of 459 lives (*Oct.* 26). The Yelverton case comes before the Divorce Court (*Nov.* 31).

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Palmerston. Budget, introduced by Gladstone, shows expenditure of £70,000,000, and revenue (apart from income-tax, which expires this year) of £60,700,000. Income-tax renewed at 10d. for incomes over £150, and 7d. for incomes between £100 and £150. Duties on light wines lowered to 1s. a gallon (*Mar.*). Trelawney's Church Rates Abolition Bill is carried in the Commons but rejected by the Lords (*April*). Lord J. Russell introduces another Reform Bill (*Mar.*), but as it produces very little interest it is withdrawn (*June*). Owing to grave apprehension as to the designs of Napoleon III., the Volunteer movement rapidly extends. About 150,000 men enrolled during the year. Bill abolishing the Paper Duty, which has passed the Commons, thrown out by the Lords (*May* 21). The Commons accordingly pass Resolutions asserting that the power of the Lords to reject money bills "has not been frequently exercised," and is "justly regarded by this House with peculiar jealousy" (*July* 5).	A Treaty of Commerce between France and England, which has been negotiated by Cobden, is signed (*Jan.* 22). [Garibaldi's expedition to Sicily and Naples unites the south of the Peninsula to the new Italian kingdom.] Interference of England and the other Great Powers in Syria, owing to the massacre of Christians by the Druses (*May–Aug.*). Chinese war: Capture of Pekin by the English and French (*Oct.* 12). The Summer Palace burnt (*Oct.* 18). [South Carolina secedes from the United States (*Dec.* 20)].	E. B. Browning, *Poems before Congress.* Wilkie Collins, *The Woman in White.* Dickens, *Great Expectations* (begun); *The Uncommercial Traveller.* G. Eliot, *The Mill on the Floss.* G. H. Lewes, *Physiology of Common Life.* Owen Meredith, *Lucile.* Macaulay, *History of England* (last vol.); *Miscellaneous Writings.* Martin, *Translation of Horace's Odes.* Temple, Rowland Williams, and others, *Essays and Reviews.* Thackeray, *The Four Georges.* Tyndall, *Glaciers of the Alps.* *The Cornhill Magazine* established. Death of Mrs. Jameson, writer on art (*Mar.* 17). Death of G. P. R. James, novelist (*June* 9).

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G. F. Watts' frescoes in Lincoln's Inn Hall completed (*Jan.*). Production of Wallace's opera *Lurline* at Covent Garden (*Feb.*). Death of Sir Charles Barry, R.A., architect (*May* 12). Dramatic College founded near Woking (*June* 1). Sale of the Belvidere Collection of pictures for £22,500 (*June* 30). Exhibition in Westminster Hall of designs for the Wellington Monument; none selected (*July*). Dion Boucicault's *Colleen Bawn* produced at the Adelphi (*Sept.*). Fechter's first appearance in London, as Ruy Blas (*Oct.* 27). Du Maurier's first contribution to *Punch*. Exhibition in Waterloo Place of drawings by Pre-Raphaelite artists. Great prize fight between Tom Sayers and Heenan, the American. Drawn (*April* 17). University Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by Thormanby.	William Spence, entomologist, dies (*Jan.* 6). Warren de la Rue photographs the solar eclipse (*July* 18). Burke and Wills start from Melbourne to cross Australia (*Aug.*). Tramway opened at Birkenhead (*Aug.* 30). Death of Joseph Locke, engineer (*Sept.* 18). London, Chatham, and Dover Railway opened from Dover to the Crystal Palace (*Sept.* 29). Invention by the Earl of Caithness of a steam-carriage for ordinary roads. Speke and Grant begin their journey to the source of the Nile (*Oct.*). Launch of the *Warrior*, the first English ironclad line-of-battle ship (*Dec.* 29).	Pullinger, chief cashier of the Union Bank of London, convicted of frauds to the extent of about a quarter of a million sterling (*May* 15). The Road (Wilts) mystery: Constance Kent murders her infant half-brother (*June* 29). [The crime was confessed in 1865.] First meeting of the National Association for Rifle-shooting at Wimbledon (*July*). Review of 21,000 volunteers in Hyde Park by the Queen (*June* 20), and of about the same number at Edinburgh (*Aug.* 7). The Prince of Wales' visit to Canada and the United States (*July* 9). The trial of Hopley, an Eastbourne schoolmaster, for whipping a boy to death. He escaped with four years' penal servitude (*July* 23). New bronze coinage issued. Christmas Day was the coldest day recorded for fifty years. In London the temperature fell to 14° Fahr. below zero.

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Palmerston. No Reform Bill mentioned in the Queen's Speech. Locke King's and Baine's motions in favour of reduction of the franchise are both negatived. St. Albans and Sudbury having both been disfranchised, the seats are given to East Lancashire, the West Riding (two), and Birkenhead. Gladstone's Budget shows an estimated revenue of £71,823,000, and expenditure of £70,000,000. The income-tax reduced a penny—to 9d. and 6d. The Paper Duty abolished. All the financial proposals are included in one bill, so that the Peers are obliged to accept the abolition of the Paper Duty. Bankruptcy Act passed, abolishing imprisonment for debt. Sir J. Trelawney's Bill for abolishing compulsory Church-rates is lost by the casting vote of the Speaker (274 on each side) (*June*).	[Outbreak of the Civil War in America. The South at first victorious.] The English Government recognises the new Kingdom of Italy (*Mar.*). Famine in India. British Government recognises the Confederate States as a belligerent power (*May*). The Confederate commissioners, Mason and Slidell, seized on board the English mail-steamer *Trent*, by Capt. Wilkes of the Federal cruiser *San Jacinto* (*Nov.*). Interchange of notes between the British and Federal Governments. Mason and Slidell released under threat of war (*Dec.* 26). [Congress passes a vote of thanks to Capt. Wilkes, who is banqueted and fêted by his countrymen.] British Government protests against the irregular methods of blockade adopted by the Northern States (*Dec.*). Troops sent to Canada, which is threatened by the United States (*Dec.*).	M. Arnold, *On Translating Homer.* Du Chaillu, *Explorations in Central Africa.* G. Eliot, *Silas Marner.* Hook, *Lives of the Archbishops of Canterbury* (vol. i.). Hughes, *Tom Brown at Oxford.* H. Kingsley, *Ravenshoe.* Knight's *Popular History of England* (begun). Maine, *Ancient Law.* May, *Constitutional History of England* (begun). Mill, *Representative Government; Utilitarianism.* Palgrave, *Golden Treasury.* Reade, *The Cloister and the Hearth.* D. G. Rossetti, *Early Italian Poets.* Spencer, *Education.* Stanley, *Lectures on the Eastern Church.* Thackeray, *Lovel the Widower* (reprinted from *Cornhill*). Anth. Trollope, *Framley Parsonage.* Mrs. H. Wood, *East Lynne.* *Hymns Ancient and Modern.* Death of Mrs. Browning (*Jan.* 29). Death of A. H. Clough (*Nov.* 13). Shakespeare's house at Stratford-on-Avon purchased for the nation by J. O. Halliwell (*Oct.*).

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The "Battle of the Styles" as to the designs for the new Foreign Office. Blondin at the Crystal Palace (*June*). Production of Tom Taylor's *Scrap of Paper* at St. James's Theatre (*April*). Death of William Farren, actor (*Sept.* 24). Opening of the Free Museum, Liverpool (*Oct.*). Opening of the New Library, Middle Temple (*Oct.*). First appearance of Sothern in London as Lord Dundreary (*Nov.* 11). John Leighton makes use of photography in engraving wood-blocks. Completion of Halifax Town Hall, from design by Sir C. and E. M. Barry. University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Kettledrum.	Sir S. and Lady Baker leave Cairo on an expedition to discover the sources of the Nile (*April*). Attack made by Dr. Gray of the British Museum, and other critics, on Du Chaillu's book. He is defended by Owen and Murchison. Opening of the Royal Horticultural Society's Garden at South Kensington (*June* 5). Great comet visible in England. It was suggested that the earth passed through the tail of it (*June* 30). Spectrum analysis applied to sidereal astronomy by Huggins. Petroleum is first used on a large scale for lighting in America. Carbolic acid employed for the deodorisation of sewage at Carlisle and Exeter. Thallium is discovered by Crookes. Death of Professor Henslow, botanist (*May* 16). Public excitement about the alleged spiritualistic phenomena of the medium Home.	Great frauds, carried on by a clerk in the employ of the Commercial Bank of London, are discovered (*Feb.*). Violent storm destroys a large portion of the Crystal Palace and the spire of Chichester Cathedral (*Feb.* 21). *Essays and Reviews* condemned by the Convocation of Canterbury (*Feb.*). Death of the Duchess of Kent (*Mar.* 16). The great Tooley Street fire destroys property valued at £1,000,000, and occasions the death of Braidwood, the head of the Fire Brigade (*June* 22). Extraordinary murder trial, ending in the acquittal of Franz, accused of the murder of Halliday (*Aug.*). First Church Congress held at Cambridge (*Oct.*). Death of the Prince Consort (*Dec.* 14). C. H. Spurgeon at the Metropolitan Tabernacle. Census taken. England and Wales, 20,060,925; Scotland, 3,061,251; Ireland, 5,764,543.

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Palmerston. A Revised Education Code issued, and warmly debated in Parliament. It introduces the principle of payment by results (*Mar.*). An Act enabling Poor Law Unions to borrow money, and to claim assistance from other unions in the country, passed in consequence of the distress in Lancashire (*July*). Joint Stock Company Act passed, regulating Limited Liability Companies.	Great Britain, together with France and Spain, sends an expedition to restore order in Mexico. Great Britain soon withdraws (*Jan.*). Japanese ambassadors arrive in England (*April*). England refuses to recognise the Confederate States as independent (*July–Aug.*). The *Alabama* is allowed to leave the Mersey (*July* 28). Next day the Government orders her detention, having just received the report of the Law Officers (*July* 29). The English Government accused by both United States and Confederates of partiality.	A. Austin, *The Human Tragedy.* Braddon, *Lady Audley's Secret.* E. B. Browning, *Last Poems.* Colenso, *The Pentateuch critically Examined* (Part I.). Darwin, *Fertilisation of Orchids.* W. Hunter, *Rural Bengal.* Lytton, *A Strange Story.* Macdonald, *David Elginbrod.* Meredith, *Modern Love, with Poems and Ballads.* Chr. Rossetti, *Goblin Market.* Ruskin, *Unto this Last.* Spencer, *First Principles.* J. F. Stephen, *Essays by a Barrister.* Thackeray, *Adventures of Philip* (completed). Anthony Trollope, *Orley Farm.* Mrs. H. Wood, *The Channings.* Death of H. T. Buckle, historian (*May* 26). Death of Sheridan Knowles, dramatist (*Dec.* 1).

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Testimonial presented to Charles Kean on his retirement from the stage, at a meeting at St. James's Hall (*Mar.* 22). Destruction by fire of the Bath Theatre (*April* 18). The second International Exhibition opened at Brompton by the Duke of Cambridge (*May* 1). J. Gibson's tinted statue of *Venus* exhibited. New Westminster Bridge opened (*May*). Production of Julius Benedict's *Lily of Killarney*. Val Prinsep's first picture, *Bianca Capello*, exhibited at the R. A. Completion of Maclise's fresco, *The Meeting of Wellington and Blucher*. Completion of the Church of St. James the Less, Westminster, designed by Street, and containing a fresco, by Watts, over the chancel arch. Copyright in photographs secured by Act of Parliament. University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Caractacus.	Prof. G. Stokes and T. Robinson's researches into the spectra of the electric light communicated to the Royal Society (*June*). Tyndall lectures at the Royal Society on heat as a mode of motion. Coxwell and Glaisher make several balloon ascents to great heights. In one of them they reach 36,000 feet, and narrowly escape death from cold (*Sept.* 5). J. M'Donall Stuart crosses Australia from south to north. Speke and Grant arrive at Ripon Falls, and see the Nile issuing from Lake Victoria Nyanza (*July*). A. C. Kirk's refrigerating process patented.	Great cotton famine in Lancashire, due to blockade of the Confederate ports. Large relief fund instituted. At the end of the year 500,000 persons are dependent on charity or the rates. Great disaster at Hartley colliery; nearly 200 drowned (*Jan.*). The Prince of Wales travels in the East (*Feb.–June*). G. Peabody, the American merchant and philanthropist, gives his first gift of £100,000 to the poor of London. The Peabody Trust formed (*Mar.*). Trades Union outrages exposed at Sheffield. Inundation near King's Lynn covers nearly 10,000 acres of agricultural land (*May* 4). Revival of outrage in Ireland. Edwin James removed from the list of Queen's Counsel (*July*). William Roupell convicted of forgery (*Sept.*). Rioting between partisans of Garibaldi and Irish Papists in London, Birkenhead, and other places (*Oct.*). Garroting becomes common. Dr. Longley becomes Archbishop of Canterbury on the death of Dr. Sumner.

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Palmerston. Gladstone's Budget shows estimated revenue of £71,490,000 and expenditure of £67,749,000. The tea duty is reduced to 1s. The income-tax is lowered to 7d. and 4d. He proposes that the incomes of charitable institutions should be taxed. Debates as to the recognition of the independence of the Confederate States initiated by Roebuck (*June*). Debates on Russian atrocities in Poland.	The Greek crown is offered to Prince Alfred and refused. The Ionian Islands, under our protectorate, are promised to Greece (*Jan.*). Rupture of diplomatic relations with Brazil, owing to the pillage of a wrecked British vessel (*Jan.*). England, France, and Austria join in urging on Russia a more just treatment of Poland (*June*). [The tide of victory turns definitely in favour of the North. The Confederates are defeated at Gettysburg, and Vicksburg is captured (*July*).] A Japanese feudal prince (Satsuma) opens fire on a British squadron sent to obtain redress for the murder of travellers. His city is bombarded and indemnity extorted (*Aug.*). The British Government rejects the invitation of Napoleon III. to take part in a general Peace Congress at Paris (*Nov.*).	Braddon, *Aurora Floyd.* G. Eliot, *Romola* (in *Cornhill Magazine*). Gardiner, *History of England from James I.* (vol. i.). Huxley, *Man's Place in Nature; Lecture to Working Men.* Jean Ingelow, *Poems.* Kinglake, *Invasion of the Crimea* (vols i. and ii.). C. Kingsley, *Water Babies.* Lyell, *Antiquity of Man.* Melville, *The Gladiators.* M. Oliphant, *Chronicles of Carlingford.* Patmore, *Victories of Love.* Reade, *Hard Cash.* Stanley, *History of the Jewish Church* (vol. i.). Tyndall, *Heat as a Mode of Motion.* Death of Sir G. C. Lewis (*April* 13). Death of Archbishop Whately (*Oct.* 8). Death of Thackeray (*Dec.* 24).

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The Lyceum opened by Fechter with *The Duke's Motto* (*Jan.* 17). Death of A. L. Egg, R.A. (*Mar.* 25). Sale of the Bicknell Collection of pictures (*April*). Carrodus the violinist first plays in London (*April* 22). The R. A. Exhibition includes Orchardson's *An Old English Song*, Frederick Walker's *The Lost Path*, Calderon's *Massccre of St. Bartholemew*, and Sandys' *La Belle Iseult.* George Cruikshank's *Triumph of Bacchus* exhibited. Production of Gounod's *Faust* at Her Majesty's, with Mdlle. Tietjens as Marguerite, and at Covent Garden, with Mme. Carvalho in the part (*July*). Death of W. Mulready, R.A. (*July* 7). Revival of the Eistedd-fodd at Swansea (*Aug.*). Millais elected R.A. Miss Kate Bateman appears at the Adelphi as Leah (*Oct.* 1). The "New Society" becomes the Institute of Painters in Water-Colours. University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Macaroni.	Opening of the Metropolitan Railway between Farringdon Street and Edgware Road (*Jan.* 9). Opening of the Pneumatic Despatch service (*Feb.*). Announcement of the discovery by Speke and Grant of the source of the Nile (*Feb.* 23). First meeting of the Anthropological Society (*Feb.* 24). Report to the British Association of experiments as to the application of gun-cotton to warlike purposes. Railway between Charing Cross and Greenwich opened (*Dec.* 1).	Trial and conviction of a gang of forgers of Bank of England notes, who obtained authentic bank-note paper from the Laverstoke mills, and printed their forgeries in Birmingham (*Jan.*). Much excitement in religious circles in consequence of Dr. Colenso's attack on the accuracy and authenticity of the Pentateuch. He is inhibited in various dioceses. Bishop of London's Fund instituted. Marriage of the Prince of Wales to Princess Alexandra of Denmark (*Mar.* 10). The Marquis of Hastings fined for cockfighting (*June* 18). Great distress still continues in Lancashire. The price of cotton reaches 29½d. a pound. Great fire in Wood Street and Milk Street, City, results in £100,000 damage (*Dec.* 4).

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Palmerston. Attack on Earl Russell's foreign policy. Lord Derby accuses him of "meddle and muddle" (*Feb.* 4). Bill for the Abolition of University Tests (Oxford) is rejected on the third reading (*Mar.*). J. Stansfeld, M.P. for Halifax, having been accused of a guilty knowledge of a plot to assassinate Napoleon III., resigns a minor post in the Government (*Mar.*). Gladstone reduces the income-tax by a penny, but refuses to take off the duties on malt. Lowe resigns the office of Vice-President of the Council on a resolution being passed which charges him with mutilating school inspectors' reports (*April*). Bills to lower the franchise, brought in by Locke King and Baine, rejected. Disraeli's motion condemning the foreign policy of the Ministry in reference to the Danish Question rejected by 313 votes to 295 (*July* 1). Sarcastic attack by the Lord Chancellor (Westbury) on Convocation replied to by Wilberforce, Bishop of Oxford (*July* 15).	[The Schleswig-Holstein War.] The London Conference, summoned to bring about peace between Prussia and Austria on the one hand, and Denmark on the other, fails of its object (*May–June*). Owing to outrage on our agent, part of Bhootan is annexed (*Nov.*). The United States Government refuses to allow relief funds collected for Confederate prisoners to be distributed among them (*Dec.*).	R. Browning, *Dramatis Personæ.* Bryce, *The Holy Roman Empire.* Crowe and Cavalcaselle, *History of Painting in Italy.* Kaye, *History of the Sepoy Mutiny* (vol. i.). J. H. Newman, *Apologia.* Payn, *Lost Sir Massingberd.* T. W. Robertson, *David Garrick.* Swinburne, *Atalanta in Calydon.* Tennyson, *Enoch Arden and Other Poems.* Trollope, *Small House at Allington.* Death of Lucy Aikin (*Jan.* 29). Death of Adelaide Procter (*Feb.* 3). Death of Nassau Senior (*June* 4). Death of W. S. Landor (*Sept.* 17). Death of J. R. M'Culloch (*Nov.* 11). Early English Text Society founded. Tercentenary of Shakespeare's birth celebrated. Angry controversy between Newman and Kingsley about the veracity of the Roman clergy (*Jan.–Feb.*).

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Death of W. Hunt, water-colour painter (*Feb.* 10). Death of W. Dyce, R.A., historical painter (*Feb.* 14). Death of T. P. Cooke, actor (*April* 4). Production of Robertson's *David Garrick* at the Haymarket, with Sothern and Nelly Moore in the principal parts (*April* 30). Savoy Chapel almost destroyed by fire (*July* 7). Foundation-stone of the Thames Embankment laid (*July* 8). Death of T. F. Robson, actor (*Aug.* 12). Death of John Leech (*Oct.* 29). Return to the stage of Helen Faucit as Imogen, at Drury Lane, under Creswick's management (*Nov.* 5). Phelps commences his management at Drury Lane. Death of David Roberts, R.A., painter (*Nov.* 25). University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Blair Athol. Inter-university athletic sports first held.	Lake Albert Nyanza discovered by Sir S. Baker (*Mar.* 14). Death of Captain Speke (*Sept.* 16). Invention of the electrophone by Dr. Strethill Wright.	Birth of the Duke of Clarence (*Jan.* 8). Explosion of the gunpowder ship *Lotty Sleigh* in the Mersey (*Jan.* 9). The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council acquits Rowland Williams and Wilson, two of the writers of *Essays and Reviews*, who had been accused of teaching false doctrine (*Feb.*). *Essays and Reviews* condemned by Convocation (*June*). Trial and conviction of the *Flowery Land* mutineers for murder, &c. Bradfield reservoir bursts, and causes great destruction at Sheffield (*Mar.* 11). Garibaldi in England (*April*). Murder of Mr. Briggs on the North London Railway (*July* 9). Of this crime Müller is convicted, and is duly hanged (*Oct.–Nov.*). Serious riots at Belfast between Romanists and Orangemen (*Aug.*). The Yelverton case decided by the House of Lords (*Aug.*). In a public letter the Queen draws the attention of railway directors to the frequency of fatal accidents (*Dec.*).

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Palmerston: Russell. Gladstone's Budget reduces the income-tax from 6d. to 4d. in the pound, and the tea duty from 1s. to 6d. a lb. Poor Law Chargeability Bill, introduced by Villiers, becomes law. Gladstone hints, in the debate on Dilwyn's motion in favour of disestablishing the Irish Church, that he is in favour of that course (*Mar.* 28). He declines, however, to say definitely what his opinions are (*June*). Death of Cobden (*April* 2). Baine's bill to lower the borough franchise rejected. Lowe strongly denounces the attempt to render the Constitution more democratic (*May*). Censure passed on the Lord Chancellor (Westbury) by a Committee of the House of Lords (*May*), and by the House of Commons, for "laxity and want of caution" in connection with public appointments (*July*). This leads to his resignation. He was succeeded by Lord Cranworth. Dissolution of Parliament and General Election. Gladstone is rejected at Oxford, and elected for South Lancashire. Liberals about 361, and Conservatives 294.	Transportation of convicts to Australia entirely abandoned (*Jan.*). [End of the war in America (*April*).] Negro rising in Jamaica, and murder of white people. This is promptly suppressed by Governor Eyre (*Oct.*). Owing to the severity displayed, especially in the case of a ring-leader named Gordon, the Governor is succeeded by Sir Henry Storks. A Royal Commission afterwards reports the punishments as excessive.	M. Arnold, *Essays in Criticism.* Carlyle, *Frederick the Great* (completed). Lewis Carroll, *Alice in Wonderland.* Fergusson, *History of Architecture.* Lecky, *History of Rationalism.* Macdonald, *Alec Forbes.* Meredith, *Rhoda Fleming.* Mill, *Comte and Positivism; Examination of Hamilton's Philosophy.* Pusey, *Eirenicon*, Part I. Ruskin, *Ethics of the Dust; Sesame and Lilies.* Seeley, *Ecce Homo.* Swinburne, *Chastelard.* Tylor, *Early History of Mankind.* Death of Isaac Taylor (*June* 28). Death of W. E. Aytoun (*Aug.* 4). Death of Mrs. Gaskell (*Nov.* 12). *Fortnightly Review* established.
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Serious Fenian conspiracy discovered in Ireland (*Sept.*). Death of Lord Palmerston (*Oct.* 18). Earl Russell becomes First Lord of the Treasury, and the Earl of Clarendon, Foreign Secretary.	

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Reopening of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, after restoration (*Feb.*).

Opening of the Dublin International Exhibition (*May*).

Royal Dramatic College, Woking, opened (*June*).

Rossetti's *Beata Beatrix* exhibited.

Albert Moore's *Marble Seat* exhibited at the R. A.

Exhibition of Ford Madox Brown's paintings.

Sale of John Leech's drawings for £6500.

Erection of the Eleanor Cross, designed by E. M. Barry, in front of the Charing Cross Railway Station.

Twelfth Night at the Olympic, with Kate Terry as Viola (*July*).

Opening of the Prince of Wales' Theatre, Tottenham Court Road, by Byron and Marie Wilton, with Byron's *La Sonnambula*, *Vandyke Brown*, and *Winning Hazard* (*April*).

London début of Madge Robertson as Ophelia at the Haymarket, and of Lilian Adelaide Neilson as Juliet at the Royalty (*July*).

John Hare's first appearance in London as Short, in *Naval Engagements*, at the Prince of Wales' Theatre (*Sept.*).

Miss Bateman's farewell (*Dec.* 22).

T. W. Robertson's *Society* produced at Liverpool (*Nov.* 11).

Death of Vincent Wallace, musician (*Oct.* 12).

Jefferson's first appearance in England as Rip Van Winkle (*Sept.* 4).

Completion of the Manchester Assize Courts, designed by Alfred Waterhouse.

Death of Sir C. Eastlake, *P.*R.A. (*Dec.* 23).

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by a French horse, Gladiateur.

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Death of Sir W. J. Hooker, botanist, director of Kew Gardens (*Aug.* 12).

First introduction of Australian tinned meat.

Photographs of the interior of the Great Pyramid taken by magnesium light, exhibited at the British Association meeting at Birmingham (*Sept.*).

Establishment at Greenwich Observatory of Airy's self-registering magnometer (*April*).

Death of Sir R. H. Schomburgk, the explorer of Guiana (*Mar.* 11).

Southern portion of the Metropolitan Main Drainage Works opened (*April*).

Death of Charles Waterton, naturalist (*May* 26).

First ascent of the Matterhorn, during which three persons lost their lives (*July* 14).

The *Great Eastern* lays the second electric cable across the Atlantic. The cable snaps (*Aug.* 2).

Death of John Lindley, botanist (*Nov.* 1).

Miscellaneous.

Great strike and lockout in the Staffordshire iron-trade (*Mar.–May*).

The Privy Council decides in favour of Dr. Colenso, and practically declares the Anglican Church in South Africa a non-established Church (*Mar.* 20).

Dr. Manning succeeds Cardinal Wiseman as R. C. Archbishop of Westminster (*June*).

Trial and conviction of Dr. Pritchard of Glasgow for poisoning his wife and mother-in-law (*July*).

The confession and trial of Constance Kent (*April–Aug.*).

The rinderpest breaks out in London (*July*), and spreads all over the country, causing enormous losses.

James Stephens, the Fenian head-centre, escapes from prison in Dublin (*Nov.* 24).

Trials and convictions of the Fenians Luby, O'Leary, and O'Donovan Rossa (*Nov.–Dec.*).

Much agitation amongst Dissenters and Radicals on account of the conduct of Governor Eyre in Jamaica (*Dec.*).

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Russell: Derby. Gladstone leader of the House of Commons. Goschen enters the Cabinet as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster; Earl de Grey succeeds Sir C. Wood at the India Office, and is himself succeeded at the War Office by the Marquis of Hartington. Cattle Diseases Act passed. Habeas Corpus Act suspended in Ireland. Bright opposes the suspension, and considers that the Irish make good citizens in America (*Feb.*). Gladstone brings in a Reform Bill, reducing county franchise to £14 rental, and borough franchise to £10 rental, and instituting a lodger franchise. The Adullamite party (Lowe, Horsman, &c.) is formed, and the second reading is carried by only 5 votes—318 to 313. In committee on the Reform Bill the Government is defeated on Lord Dunkellin's amendment, substituting *rating* for rental in the qualification for the borough franchise, by 315 to 304 (*June* 18). The Government resigns. Lord Derby forms a Ministry: Lord Derby, First Lord of the Treasury; Disraeli, Chancellor of the Exchequer; S. H. Wal-	Attempted Fenian invasion of Canada (*June* 2). [Prussia attacks Austria. The "Seven Weeks' War" (*June–July*).]	Duke of Argyll, *Reign of Law.* Sir S. Baker, *L. Albert Nyanza.* W. Collins, *Armadale.* G. Eliot, *Felix Holt.* Gaskell, *Wives and Daughters.* Liddon's *Bampton Lectures.* C. Reade, *Griffith Gaunt.* Chr. Rossetti, *The Prince's Progress.* Ruskin, *The Crown of Wild Olive.* Swinburne, *Poems and Ballads.* Ch. Yonge, *Dove in the Eagle's Nest.* *Contemporary Review* commenced. Death of T. Love Peacock, novelist (*Jan.* 23). Death of Dr. Whewell, philosopher (*Mar.* 6). Death of John Keble (*Mar.* 29).
HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). pole, Home Secretary; Lord Stanley, Foreign Secretary; Earl of Carnarvon, Colonial Secretary; General Peel, War Secretary; Viscount Cranbourne, Indian Secretary; Lord Chelmsford, Lord Chancellor. Noisy Reform demonstrations in London, Birmingham, &c. Rioting in Hyde Park—the railings pulled down under the direction of Edmond Beales, M.A., and the Reform League (*July* 23).		

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Death of J. Gibson, R.A., sculptor (*Jan.* 27). Francis Grant elected *P.*R.A., on the refusal of Sir Edwin Landseer (*Feb.*). First appearance in London of Mdlle. Trebelli (*May*). Albert Moore's *Apricots, Pomegranates,* and the *Shulamite* at the R. A. Burne-Jones' *Le Chant d'Amour* at the Old Water-Colour Society. First appearance of Charles Wyndham in London, at the Royalty Theatre, in *All that Glitters is not Gold* (*May* 21). Schubert's music to *Rosamunde* performed for the first time in England at the Crystal Palace. T. W. Robertson's *Ours* produced at Liverpool (*Aug.* 23), and at the Prince of Wales' Theatre, London (*Sept.* 15). First appearance in London of Henry Irving as Dorincourt in *The Belle's Stratagem* (*Oct.* 6). C. F. Browne (Artemus Ward) lectures in London (*Nov.*). University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Lord Lyon. Yacht race across the Atlantic won by J. G. Bennett's *Henrietta*, in 14 days, 4 hours (*Dec.*).	The American traveller Du Chaillu describes his second journey in Central Africa to the Geographical Society. His account of the dwarf race is generally disbelieved (*Jan.*). Norman Lockyer applies the spectroscope to solar phenomena. Death of George Rennie, engineer (*Mar.*). The third Atlantic cable successfully laid (*July*). The second was afterwards picked up and spliced. Opening of the Cannon Street Railway Station (*Sept.*). W. R. Grove, Q.C., as President of the British Association, gives an address on "Continuity of Natural Phenomena."	Banda and Kirwee prize money case, £800,000 involved (*Jan.*). Wreck of the steamship *London* (*Jan.* 11), and loss of 200 lives. Failure of Overend and Gurney (*May* 10). Next day is Black Friday in the City. The Bank rate up to 10 per cent., at which it remains till August. The Bank Charter Act suspended (*May* 12). Lord Shaftesbury describes *Ecce Homo* as "the most pestilential book ever vomited from the jaws of hell" (*May*). Marriage of Princess Mary of Cambridge to Prince Teck (*June* 12); and of Princess Helena to Prince Christian (*July* 5). The rinderpest continues. Cholera breaks out again. In August there are a thousand deaths a week from it in London. Trades Union outrages in Sheffield (*Oct.*). Explosion at the Oaks Colliery, Barnsley, with loss of 340 lives (*Dec.* 12). Great fire at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham (*Dec.* 30).

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Derby. Fenian attempt at Chester (*Feb.* 11). Fenian risings in many places in the south of Ireland. The new Government's Reform Scheme introduced by Disraeli in the form of Resolutions (*Feb.*). These are withdrawn. In consequence of differences as to the forthcoming Reform Bill, General Peel (War), the Earl of Carnarvon (Colonial), and Lord Cranborne (India), resign their secretaryships (*Mar.* 2). The new Reform Bill introduced (*Mar.* 18). All ratepayers or payers of 20 shillings in direct taxes are to have a second vote; a second vote is given to some classes of persons. Persons possessing a certain standard of education are to have a vote. Some redistribution of seats forms a part of the scheme. The Reform League opposes the Bill. The Habeas Corpus Act is suspended for a further period in Ireland. Gladstone's authority over the Opposition is threatened by the "Tea-room party." He retires from the leadership of the Liberal party in the Commons (*April*). Further Reform meetings in Hyde Park. Un-	[International Exhibition at Paris.] Conference of plenipotentiaries in London to settle the Luxemburg question, which threatens to bring about war between France and Prussia (*May*). The Dominion of Canada established (*May*). Abyssinian expedition despatched under Sir R. Napier, on account of the imprisonment of the English envoy and other Englishmen and Europeans by King Theodore (*Sept.*).	M. Arnold, *Study of Celtic Literature; New Poems.* Bagehot, *English Constitution* (originally in *Fortnightly Review*). R. Broughton, *Not Wisely but Too Well; Cometh Up as a Flower.* Carlyle, *Shooting Niagara.* Freeman, *History of the Norman Conquest* (vol. i.). Froude, *Short Studies in Great Subjects* (First Series). J. Morley, *Burke.* Morris, *Life and Death of Jason.* Swinburne, *A Song of Italy.* Thomson and Tait, *Natural Philosophy* (vol. i.). Anthony Trollope, *Last Chronicle of Barset.*

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certain attitude of the Government on the subject of the legality of such meetings in Hyde Park. S. H. Walpole resigns, and Gathorne Hardy goes to the Home Office (*May*).

The Reform Bill much altered in committee. The Government frequently defeated. "Three-cornered constituencies" erected.

The Reform Bill passed by the House of Lords (*Aug.* 6).

Parliament called together for a fresh session on account of the Abyssinian expedition (*Nov.*).

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Landseer's Lions at the base of the Nelson Column unveiled (*Feb.* 3).

Death of Alfred Mellon (*Mar.* 27).

Production of T. W. Robertson's *Caste* at the Prince of Wales' Theatre, with Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft, John Hare, George Honey, Mrs. Leigh Murray, Lydia Foote, &c. (*April* 6).

Death of Sir Robert Smirke, architect (*April* 18).

Linley Sambourne's first contribution to *Punch* (*April* 27).

Holman Hunt's *Isabella and the Pot of Basil*, Fred. Walker's *Bathers*, Poynter's *Israel in Egypt*, at the R. A.

Death of Clarkson Stanfield, R.A., painter (*May* 18).

Final farewell performance of Charles Kean as Louis XI. at Liverpool (*May*).

Christine Nilsson's début at Her Majesty's Theatre (*June* 8).

Kate Terry's farewell as Juliet at the Adelphi Theatre (*Aug.* 31).

Edward Terry's first appearance in London at the Surrey Theatre (*Sept.*).

First appearance in London of Clara Kellogg as Margherita (*Nov.* 2).

Foundation-stone of the Albert Hall laid.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Death of Michael Faraday (*Aug.* 25).

Opening of the Barrow-in-Furness Docks (*Sept.*).

Death of the Earl of Rosse (*Oct.* 31).

Electro-magnetism applied to the smelting of metals at Sheffield.

Antiseptic methods of surgery introduced by Joseph Lister at Glasgow.

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

Sterndale Bennett's *Woman of Samaria* and J. F. Barnett's *Ancient Mariner* performed at the Birmingham Festival.

Sullivan's *Cox and Box* and *Contrabandista* produced.

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby (run in a snowstorm) won by Hermit.

Miscellaneous.

Severe frost. Great accident on the ice in Regent's Park, in which several hundred skaters were submerged, and forty drowned (*Jan.* 15).

Trial of Col. Nelson and Lieut. Brand for their share in the repression of the Negro rebellion in Jamaica. The Grand Jury throw out the bill (*April* 10).

Commissioners appointed to investigate the Trades Union outrages at Sheffield discover that assassination and outrage are a part of the means by which some of these bodies have established their authority (*June*).

Visit of the Sultan Abdul Aziz to the Queen (*July*).

First Pan-Anglican conference. Seventy-eight Bishops are present (*Sept.*).

Rescue of Fenian prisoners at Manchester by an attack on a prison-van. Police-sergeant Brett is shot (*Sept.* 18).

Five men are convicted of murder in consequence. Three of them, Allen, Larkin, and Gould, are executed (*Nov.* 23). This leads to Irish celebrations in honour of the "Manchester Martyrs."

Fenian attempt on Clerkenwell prison. Kills six people and wounds 120 others (*Dec.* 13).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Derby: Disraeli: Gladstone. Owing to ill-health, the Earl of Derby resigns, and Disraeli becomes First Lord of the Treasury and Prime Minister (*Feb.* 25). Lord Chelmsford compelled to resign the Great Seal, and Cairns becomes Lord Chancellor (*Feb.* 29–*Mar.* 2). The Habeas Corpus Act again suspended in Ireland. Gladstone's Bill for abolishing Compulsory Church Rates is carried. Gladstone's Resolution in favour of the disestablishment of the Irish Church is carried by 330 to 265, after eleven nights' debate (*April* 30). Disraeli's letter, dated "Maundy Thursday," in which he tries to explain away his accusation that High Churchmen and Romanists are leagued together to destroy the union between Church and State (*April* 9). Agitation in England against the Irish Church. The trial of election petitions is given to the Common Law judges. General Election results in a great Liberal majority. The eighth Parliament contains 393 Liberals and 265 Conservatives (*Nov.*). Resignation of the Disraeli Ministry.	Attempt to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, travelling in Australia, is made by O'Farrel, apparently a Fenian (*Mar.* 12). Success of the Abyssinian expedition. Release of the prisoners. Capture of Magdala (*April* 10–13). Owing to the great advances made by Russia in Central Asia, the Indian Government becomes alarmed about its frontiers. Shere Ali Khan recognised by Lord Lawrence as Ameer of Afghanistan. Abortive Anglo-American convention to submit the *Alabama* claims to arbitration, signed (*Nov.* 10).	The Queen, *Leaves from a Journal of our Life in the Highlands.* Browning, *The Ring and the Book* (vols. i. and ii.). W. Collins, *The Moonstone.* Dilke, *Greater Britain.* G. Eliot, *The Spanish Gypsy.* Macdonald, *Robert Falconer.* W. Morris, *The Earthly Paradise* (vols. i. and ii.). Newman, *Verses on Various Occasions.* Ouida, *Under Two Flags.* Arber's English Reprints commenced. Death of Sir D. Brewster, physicist (*Feb.* 10). Death of Lord Brougham (*May* 7). Death of Samuel Lover, novelist (*July* 6). Death of Dean Milman (*Sept.* 24).
HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Gladstone's first Ministry (*Dec.* 9): Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury; Lowe, Chancellor of the Exchequer; H. A. Bruce, Home Secretary; Lord Clarendon, Foreign Secretary; Lord Granville, Colonial Secretary; E. Cardwell, War Secretary; Duke of Argyll, Indian Secretary; J. Bright, Board of Trade; Lord Hatherley, Lord Chancellor. The Marquis of Hartington, the Earl of Kimberley, G. J. Goschen, and W. E. Forster also held offices.		

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of Charles Kean, actor (*Jan.* 22). Paul Bedford's farewell at the Queen's Theatre (*May* 16). New Foreign Office, designed by Sir G. Scott, opened (*Mar.*). L. Fildes' *Nightfall*, F. Walker's *Vagrants*, exhibited at the R. A. Exhibition of Doré's pictures at the Egyptian Hall, afterwards removed to New Bond Street. Felix Slade leaves £45,000 to endow professorships of Fine Art at Oxford, Cambridge, and London. Death of George Cattermole, water-colour painter and illustrator (*July* 24). University Boat Race won by Oxford. Derby won by Blue Gown.	Death of Sir D. Brewster, physicist (*Feb.* 10). Opening of the St. John's Wood Extension of the Metropolitan Railway (*April*). First trial of dynamite (*July*). Spectroscope used during the solar eclipse (*Aug.* 18). The autotype process of photographic printing greatly improved. The great Melbourne telescope sent out from England. The Metropolitan District Railway from South Kensington to Westminster opened (*Dec.*).	Various Fenian conspirators captured, and tried for outrage, sedition, &c. Barrett executed for complicity in the Clerkenwell Prison outrage—the last public execution (*May* 26). Visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to Ireland (*April*). The case of Lyon *v.* Home, in which the plaintiff, an elderly widow, obtains the surrender of £30,000 which she had given, with other money, to the eminent spiritualistic medium (*May*). Continued attempts made by Radicals and Nonconformists to bring Governor Eyre to trial. Grand jury throw out the bill against Eyre (*June* 2). Railway accident at Abergele, 33 killed (*Aug.* 19). Dr. Tait becomes Archbishop of Canterbury on the death of Dr. Longley (*Nov.*). First important anti-Ritual decision by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, in the case of Martin *v.* Mackonochie (*Dec.*). G. Peabody, the American philanthropist, gives another £100,000 to the poor of London, making £350,000 in all (*Dec.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Bill for Disestablishing and Disendowing the Irish Church introduced by Gladstone (*Mar.* 1). After four nights' debate the second reading is carried by 368 to 250 votes (*Mar.* 23). The second reading was carried in the Lords by 179 to 146 votes (*July*). Lowe's first Budget. Income, £72,855,000; expenditure, £68,223,000. Reductions in both army and navy. Income-tax reduced by one penny (now 4d.). The shilling duty on corn (for registration) abolished. Habitual Criminals Act passed. Lord Russell's Bill to legalise life peerages is rejected by the Lords. Endowed Schools Act is passed, and Endowed Schools Commission is appointed. Strong opposition to Disestablishment and Disendowment shown in Ireland, especially in Orange circles. The convict O'Donovan Rossa elected for Tipperary (*Nov.*). Great revival of political animosity in Ireland. Many outrages and murders.	[General Grant President of the United States (*Mar.* 4).] The United States Senate rejects the Alabama Convention, signed in November, by 54 votes to 1 (*April* 13). Fresh correspondence between the two Governments. Sir S. Baker is sent into Equatorial Africa by the Khedive, with powers to suppress the slave-trade. [Suez Canal opened (*Nov.* 17).]	M. Arnold, *Culture and Anarchy.* Blackmore, *Lorna Doone.* Freeman, *Old English History for Children.* Galton, *Hereditary Genius.* Lecky, *History of European Morals.* Reade, *Foul Play.* H. C. Robinson, *Diary.* Ruskin, *Queen of the Air.* Wallace, *Malay Archipelago.* *The Academy* established. Historical Manuscripts Commission instituted. Mrs. H. B. Stowe's article in *Macmillan's Magazine*, charging Lord Byron with adultery and incest (*Sept.* 1). Death of W. Carleton, novelist (*Jan.* 30). Death of Alex. Dyce, Shakespearian scholar (*May* 15).

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T. W. Robertson's *School* produced at the Prince of Wales' Theatre (*Jan.* 16). Lord Chamberlain's circular on the costume of ladies of the ballet (*Jan.* 28). The Royal Academy removes to Burlington House. Alma-Tadema's *Danse Pyrrhique* and *Amateur Romain*, F. Walker's *Old Gate* at the R. A. A. Sullivan's *Prodigal Son* performed at the Worcester Musical Festival (*Sept.*). Thames Embankment opened from Westminster to Vauxhall (*Sept.* 1). H. J. Byron appears at the Globe Theatre as Sir Simon Simple in his own play, *Not such a Fool as He Looks* (*Oct.* 23). *New Men and Old Acres*, by Tom Taylor and Alfred Dubourg, produced at the Haymarket Theatre, with Madge Robertson as Lilian (*Oct.* 25). Blackfriars Bridge and Holborn Viaduct opened by the Queen (*Nov.* 6). F. Leighton elected R.A. Death of Giulia Grisi (*Nov.* 25). *Uncle Dick's Darling*, by Byron, produced at the Gaiety (*Dec.*). George Grossmith first appears as an entertainer.	Death of Dr. John Epps, the homœopathist (*Feb.* 8). Electric cable laid between Bombay and Suez.	Trial of the directors of Overend & Gurney. Saurin *v.* Starr case, in which the Lady Superior of a Roman Catholic convent is accused of conspiracy and libel (*Feb.*). Great frauds on the Great Central Gas Company discovered (*Mar.*). Prince Arthur in Ireland (*April*). Ismail Pasha, Viceroy of Egypt, visits the Queen (*June*). The Albert Insurance Company in liquidation (*Aug.*). Much excitement in religious circles in consequence of the appointment of Dr. F. Temple to the see of Exeter (*Oct.*).
THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*). Ruskin appointed first Slade Professor of Fine Art at Oxford. Death of Thomas Creswick, R.A. (*Dec.* 28). University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Pretender.		

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Gladstone introduces his Irish Land Bill (*Feb.* 15). Ulster tenant-right legalised, and extended to other parts of Ireland; improvements to be presumed to be made by tenants. Land purchase clauses are included. Passed (*Aug.*). W. E. Forster introduces his Elementary Education Bill, to provide for the formation of School Boards, with power to levy rates to build schools. Read a second time without a division (*Mar.* 18). The Birmingham League and Dissenters demand secular education. The Government accepts the Cowper-Temple clause, which excludes "all religious formularies," while permitting the Bible to be read (*June* 16). Irish Peace Preservation Act passed (*April*). Lowe's Budget shows a surplus of nearly £8,000,000 for 1869–70. The expenditure for 1870–71 is estimated at £67,113,000; both army and navy estimates are reduced. An Order in Council throws open most Civil Service appointments to competition (*June*). Death of the Earl of Clarendon (*June* 26). He is succeeded as Foreign Secretary by Earl Granville. Additional vote of £2,000,000 for army and navy, in consequence of war scare (*Aug.* 1). Bright retires from the Ministry. Home Rule Association,	Lord Muncaster and other English travellers are captured and held to ransom by Greek brigands. Several of them are murdered (*April*). Rupert's Land surrendered by the Hudson's Bay Company to Canada (*June*). [War breaks out between Prussia and France (*July* 15).] Bismarck publishes draft Treaty for the annexation of Belgium by France, which he alleges was suggested to him by Napoleon, but which the French disown. The publication serves its turn, and alienates English sympathy (*July* 25). [Battle of Sedan (*Sept.* 1, 2), and fall of the Empire (*Sept.* 4).] Russian Government declines any longer to observe the Black Sea clauses of the Treaty of Paris (*Nov.*). [Rome occupied by the soldiers of the Italian Kingdom (*Sept.* 18).]	M. Arnold, *St. Paul and Protestantism.* Church, *St. Anselm.* Dickens, *Mystery of Edwin Drood.* Disraeli, *Lothair.* Huxley, *Lay Sermons.* Newman, *Grammar of Assent.* Reade, *Put Yourself in His Place.* D. G. Rossetti, *Poems.* Stanhope, *Reign of Queen Anne.* Tyndall, *Imagination in Science.* Wallace, *Contributions to the Theory of Natural Selection.* Revision of the Authorised Version of the Bible undertaken by a Committee appointed by the Convocation of Canterbury. Dickens's farewell reading in St. James's Hall (*Mar.* 15). Death of Charles Dickens (*June* 9).

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afterwards the Home Rule League, founded in Ireland.

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Death of Daniel Maclise, R.A. (*April* 25). Opening of the London University Buildings, Burlington Gardens (*May* 11). Albery's *Two Roses* produced at the Vaudeville, with Irving, Thomas Thorne, and David James (*June* 4). New buildings at Dulwich College, designed by Sir C. Barry, opened (*June* 21). Thames Embankment completed, from the design of Sir J. Bazalgette (*July*). Lilian Adelaide Neilson appears as Amy Robsart at Drury Lane (*Sept.* 24). Death of Michael Balfe, musician (*Oct.* 20). Production of W. S. Gilbert's *Palace of Truth* at the Haymarket (*Nov.* 19). Opening of the buildings of Keble College, Oxford, designed by Butterfield (*June*). Opening of the new buildings of Caius College, Cambridge, designed by A. Waterhouse. First Winter Exhibition of Old Masters at Burlington House. University Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by Kingcraft. Cook beats Roberts (the elder) for the billiard championship.	Huxley popularises the germ-theory by his address to the British Association (*Sept.*). F. Galton's *Inquiry into Hereditary Genius* published. Halfpenny postage for newspapers introduced (*Oct.* 1).	The telegraphs become the property of the State (*Feb.*). Charity Organisation Society's first meeting (*April*). Murder of the Marshall family near Uxbridge by a tramp (*Mar.* 28). The divorce case of Mordaunt *v.* Mordaunt stopped on account of the insanity of the respondent (*June*). Brixton baby-farming case investigated. Mrs. Waters hanged for murder of several infants (*Oct.*). Loss of the turret-ship *Captain* off Finisterre (*Sept.* 7). First meeting of the London School Board; Lord Lawrence elected chairman (*Dec.* 15).

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Gladstone. H. Bruce, Home Secretary, introduces his Licensing Bill (*April*). Afterwards withdrawn. Goschen becomes First Lord of the Admiralty (*Mar.* 3). The naval estimates, £9,756,000; the army estimates (including compensation for abolition of purchase), £16,452,000. Lowe's Budget. The match-tax produces much opposition. This proposal is abandoned, and the income-tax raised from 4d. to 6d. University Tests Act passed (*June*). Cardwell's Army Regulation Bill, establishing short service, is passed; the Lords, however, rejected the clauses abolishing purchase (*July* 17). Purchase is abolished by royal warrant (*July* 20). Ecclesiastical Titles Bill is repealed (*July*). English Local Government Board is established in place of the old Poor Law Board. Isaac Butt's Home Rule movement becomes important. Sir R. Collier, the Attorney-General, is made a Justice of the Common Pleas for two days, in order to qualify him for a seat on the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.	The American House of Representatives pass a resolution offering a welcome to O'Donovan Rossa and other Fenian convicts, just released by the British Government, in the name of the United States (*Jan.* 30). Agreement between Great Britain and United States for a joint-commission to settle the *Alabama* and Fishery claims. On nearly every point Lord Granville gives way to the American Government (*Feb.* 9). [Peace negotiations between Prussia and France (*Jan.–Feb.*).] Treaty of Washington, between Great Britain and the United States, signed (*May* 8). Colony of Griqua-land founded (*Oct.*).	Besant and Rice, *Ready-Money Mortiboy* (begun). Black, *A Daughter of Heth.* Browning, *Balaustion's Adventure.* Lewis Carroll, *Through the Looking-Glass.* Darwin, *Descent of Man.* G. Eliot, *Middlemarch* (completed 1873). Froude, *English in Ireland* (vol. i.). Jowett, *Translation of the Dialogues of Plato.* C. Kingsley, *At Last.* Lytton, *The Coming Race.* G. Meredith, *Harry Richmond.* Ouida, *Folle-Farine.* Ruskin, *Fors Clavigera* (begun). Swinburne, *Songs before Sunrise.* Tylor, *Primitive Culture.* Tyndall, *Fragments of Science.* Death of Dean Alford (*Jan.* 12). Death of T. W. Robertson, dramatist (*Feb.* 3). Death of G. Grote, historian (*June* 18). Death of Dean Mansel (*July* 30).
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). This causes much scandal (*Nov.*).	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of Paul Bedford, actor (*Jan.* 11). Death of Sir George Hayter, painter (*Jan.* 18). Opening of the Albert Hall, designed by General Scott (*Mar.* 29). Bach's *St. Matthew Passion Music* performed at Westminster Abbey, for the first time in England (*April* 6). First appearance of the Comédie Française in London (*May*). Leighton's *Hercules wrestling with Death*, Millais' *Chill October*, Stacey Marks' *Bookworm*, and Alma-Tadema's *Roman Emperor*, exhibited at the R. A. Opening of the new St. Thomas's Hospital buildings (*June*). Production of Albery's *Pickwick* at the Lyceum, with Irving as Jingle (*Oct.* 23). Production of *The Bells* at the Lyceum, with Irving as Mathias (*Nov.*). Production of Gilbert's *Pygmalion and Galatea* at the Haymarket; Madge Robertson as Galatea (*Dec.* 9). Début of Joseph Maas at St. James's Hall. International Exhibition at South Kensington, in the Albert Hall, and Horticultural Gardens. University Boat Race won by Cambridge.	Commencement of the Postal Telegraph system (*Feb.*). Death of Augustus de Morgan, mathematician (*Mar.* 18). Death of Sir John Herschel (*May* 11). Purchase of Kew Observatory from the Royal Society. H. M. Stanley discovers Livingstone at Ujiji (*Nov.* 10). Discovery of diamonds at Kimberley.	Mansion-House Fund for the relief of the sufferers in the siege of Paris (*Jan.*). The fund reached over £126,000; 68 tons of provisions were carried into Paris directly the siege was over. Marriage of Princess Louise to the Marquis of Lorne (*Mar.* 21). The hearing of the case of Tichborne *v.* Lushington begins before Lord Chief-Justice Bovill (*May* 11). It is continued into next year. High death-rate from small-pox in London (*May*). First Parliamentary Bank holiday, Whit-Monday (*May* 29). Trial and conviction of Pook for the murder of Jane Clousen (*July*). Military manœuvres (*Sept.*). Murder of Mrs. Watson by her husband, a clergyman and schoolmaster (*Oct.* 8). Mansion-House Fund for relief of sufferers by the fire at Chicago (*Nov.*). The Prince of Wales attacked by typhoid fever (*Nov.* 22). The Queen at Sandringham (*Dec.* 8–19). The census taken: England and Wales, 22,704,108; Scotland, 3,358,613; Ireland, 5,402,759.
THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*). The Derby won by Favonius.		

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Gladstone. Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the property of the universities and colleges of Oxford and Cambridge (*Jan.*). The Government narrowly escapes censure in both Houses on account of the Collier appointment. The Ballot Bill passed by the Commons, and by the Lords, who introduced the scrutiny and attempted to extend the hours of polling, and limit the operation of the Act to eight years (*July*). The Ewelme Rectory scandal (*Mar.*). Sir C. Dilke moves for an inquiry into the Civil List (*Mar.*). By Lowe's Budget the 2d. added last year is taken off the income-tax, and the duty on coffee is reduced. Capt. Nolan, Home Ruler, unseated on petition by Judge Keogh for clerical intimidation (*May* 27). This leads to a violent attack on the judge by the Roman Catholic Irish press. The Scotch Education Bill, allowing religious education to be paid for out of the rates, passed. Lord Hatherley resigns the Woolsack, and is succeeded by Sir Roundell Palmer, created Lord Selborne (*Oct.*). A new Licensing Bill, instituting licensing committees and limiting hours of sale, is passed (*April–Aug.*).	The British Government object to the "indirect claims" of the United States being submitted to the Geneva tribunal. Much diplomatic correspondence (*Feb.–June*). The Geneva tribunal meets and refuses to consider the indirect claims (*June*). On the direct claims it decides against England, and lays the damages at 15,500,000 dollars (*Sept.* 14). Sir Alex. Cockburn, the British arbitrator, publishes his reasons for dissent (*Sept.* 24). Assassination of Lord Mayo, Governor-General of India, by a convict (*Feb.* 8). He is succeeded by Lord Northbrook. The French Government withdraw from the Commercial Treaty with England (*April*). A new Treaty, not based on Free Trade principles, is signed (*Nov.*). Correspondence with Russia as to the boundaries of Afghanistan (*Sept.*). The German Emperor, as arbitrator, decides the San Juan boundary dispute against England (*Oct.*). Fully responsible government given to Cape Colony.	Baring-Gould, *Lives of the Saints* (begun). Blackmore, *Maid of Sker.* Browning, *Fifine at the Fair.* S. Butler, *Erewhon.* Calverley, *Fly Leaves.* Darwin, *Expression of the Emotions.* Forster, *Life of Charles Dickens.* Hardy, *Under the Greenwood Tree.* A. J. C. Hare, *Memorials of a Quiet Life.* L. Morris, *Songs of Two Worlds.* Spencer, *Study of Sociology.* Stanley, *How I found Livingstone.* Tennyson, *Gareth and Lynette.* Death of Rev. F. D. Maurice, divine (*April* 1). Death of Charles Lever, novelist (*June* 1).

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Bach's *St. John Passion Music* performed for the first time in England (*Mar.* 22). Gillott Collection of paintings sold (180,000 guineas) (*April*). Death of Richard Westmacott, sculptor (*April* 19). W. B. Richmond's *Lament of Ariadne*, F. Walker's *Harbour of Refuge*, E. Long's *Suppliants*, George Mason's *Harvest Moon*, Briton Rivière's *Daniel in the Lions' Den*, exhibited at the R. A. Opening of the Bethnal Green Museum (*June* 24). Completion (except for the statue) of the Albert Memorial, designed by Sir G. G. Scott (*July* 1). Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wigan's farewell at the Lyceum, in *Still Waters Run Deep* (*July* 6). Production of Wills' *Charles the First* at the Lyceum, with Irving as the King (*Sept.* 28). Randolph Caldecott contributes to *Punch*. Death of George Mason, painter (*Oct.* 22). University Boat Race won by Cambridge. Sliding-seats first used. The Derby won by Cremorne.	Report of the Exploration of Brixham Cave presented to the Royal Society (*June*). H. M. Stanley returns to England. The *Challenger* deep-sea exploration expedition sails (*Dec.*).	The case of Tichborne *v.* Lushington comes to a sudden end by the intervention of the jury. The claimant is non-suited (*Mar.* 4). Thanksgiving Service at St. Paul's Cathedral for the recovery of the Prince of Wales (*Feb.* 27). Assault on the Queen by a boy of 17, named Arthur O'Connor (*Feb.* 28). The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council decide the case of Sheppard *v.* Bennett in favour of the High Church Party. The Church Association active in suggesting anti-Ritualistic legislation. Strike of gas-stokers (*Dec.* 2). The City and West End of London in darkness. Several gas-stokers are sent to hard labour for intimidation.

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Gladstone. Lord Selborne's Judicature Bill passed, establishing one Supreme Court in which are merged all the old courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, Exchequer, &c. Irish University Education Bill introduced (*Feb.*). Opposition on all sides. Government defeated on second reading by 3 votes (*Mar.* 11). The Government resigns, but as Disraeli is unwilling to attempt to form a Ministry, Gladstone returns to office (*Mar.* 20). Army estimates, £13,231,000; navy, £9,633,000. The Budget shows surplus of nearly £5,000,000, out of which the Geneva award is paid and taxation is further reduced. Reconstruction of the Ministry. Lowe becomes Home Secretary, Gladstone taking the Exchequer as well as the post of First Lord of the Treasury. Bright re-enters the Ministry as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. A little later H. James becomes Attorney-General and Harcourt Solicitor-General (*Aug.–Nov.*). Disraeli's attack on the Government in a letter from Bath addressed to Lord Grey de Wilton. "For nearly five years the present Ministers have harassed every trade, worried every profession, and assailed or menaced every class, institution, and species of property in the country" (*Oct.* 3). Mr. Bright accused of alluding to the working-classes, or some part of them, as "the residuum" (*Dec.* 9).	The Russian Government explains that the expedition to Khiva was merely punitive, and that Khiva would not be occupied (*Jan.*). Sultan of Zanzibar enters into a treaty to abolish the slave-trade (*Jan.*). Ashantee expedition under Sir G. Wolseley, in defence of the Gold Coast settlements against King Coffee (*Sept.–Feb.* 1874). Famine in India. Treaty between Russia and the Khan of Bokhara published (*Dec.*). Ameer of Afghanistan shows signs of dissatisfaction with the Government of India.	Arnold, *Literature and Dogma.* Austin, *Madonna's Child.* Bagehot, *Physics and Politics.* Black, *A Princess of Thule.* R. Broughton, *Nancy.* Browning, *Red Cotton Night-Cap Country.* W. Collins, *New Magdalen.* Dobson, *Vignettes in Rhyme.* Greg, *Enigmas of Life.* G. H. Lewes, *Problems of Life and Mind* (vol. i.). Lytton, *Kenelm Chillingly; The Parisians.* Mill, *Autobiography.* J. Morley, *Rousseau.* Pater, *Studies in the History of the Renaissance.* Death of Lord Lytton (*Jan.* 18). Death of Charles Knight, publisher (*Mar.* 9). Death of J. S. Mill (*May* 8).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
First Wagner Concert in London (*Feb.*). Production of *The Happy Land* at the Court; suppressed on account of the personal burlesque of Gladstone, Lowe, and Ayrton (*Mar.* 5). Death of Sir Wm. Tite, architect (*April* 2). Death of Macready, actor (*April* 27). Opening of the Alexandra Palace (*Mar.* 24); burnt down (*June* 9). Exhibition of G. Mason's pictures. *Richelieu* produced at the Lyceum, with Irving as the Cardinal (*Sept.* 27). Death of Sir Edwin Landseer, R.A. (*Oct.* 1). First appearance of Geneviève Ward in England (*Oct.* 1). Opening of Owens College, Manchester, designed by Waterhouse (*Oct.* 8). Macfarren's *St. John the Baptist* performed at the Bristol Festival (*Oct.* 23). First appearance of Antoinette Sterling in London. University Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by Doncaster.	Death of Prof. Adam Sedgwick, geologist (*Jan.* 25). Death of Dr. Livingstone at Ilala, in Central Africa (*May* 4). Arrival of Sir S. Baker from his Central African expedition (*Oct.*). Col. Warburton begins his journey across Australia from E. to W. Professor D. Ferrier describes his researches into the localisation of cerebral functions (*Aug.*). The radiometer discovered by Crookes.	The *Northfleet* emigrant ship run down and abandoned by the Spanish steamer *Murillo* off Dungeness; 300 lives lost (*Jan.* 22). Coals 45 shillings a ton in London (*Feb.* 4). The gas-stokers convicted of intimidation are liberated by the Home Secretary (*April*). Wreck of the *Atlantic*, White Star Liner, off Halifax; nearly 600 drowned (*April* 1). Sir G. Jessel becomes Master of the Rolls (*Aug.*). The Tichborne claimant (Arthur Orton) tried for perjury (*April* 23–*Feb.* 28, 1874). Anti-Ritualistic agitation encouraged by Archbishops Tait and Thomson. First London Hospital Sunday, £28,000 collected (*June* 15). The Shah visits England. Death of Dr. Wilberforce, Bishop of Winchester, by a fall from his horse (*July* 19). Death of Lord Westbury (*July* 20). Sir J. D. Coleridge made Chief-Justice of the Common Pleas (*Nov.* 19).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone: Disraeli. Gladstone unexpectedly announces the dissolution of Parliament, and promises entire repeal of the income-tax if the Liberals come into power (*Jan.*). General Election: Conservatives, 351; Liberals, 243; Home Rulers, 59 (*Jan.–Feb.*). Government resigns. Conservative Ministry formed: Disraeli, First Lord of the Treasury; Sir S. Northcote, Chancellor of the Exchequer; R. A. Cross, Home Secretary; Lord Derby, Foreign Secretary; Lord Carnarvon, Colonial Secretary; Lord Salisbury, India; Gathorne Hardy, War Secretary; Ward Hunt, Admiralty; Lord Cairns, Lord Chancellor. Navy estimates, £10,179,000. G. Trevelyan's Bill for assimilating county to borough franchise rejected. Public Worship Regulation Act, introduced by Disraeli as "a Bill to put down Ritualism," passed. Originally introduced by the Archbishops in the Lords, it is much altered in its passage through Parliament (*May–Aug.*). Act abolishing Lay Patronage in the Scotch Established Church. Butt's Home Rule	Sir G. Wolseley enters Coomassie (*Feb.* 5). Indian Famine grows worse. Altogether about £6,500,000 spent in relief.	Cairnes, *Some Leading Principles of Political Economy.* Farrar, *Life of Christ.* Green, *Short History of the English People.* Greville, *Memoirs* (George IV.–William IV.). Hardy, *Far from the Madding Crowd* (in *Cornhill Magazine*). Jevons, *Principles of Science.* Mill, *Nature, Religion, and Theism.* J. Morley, *On Compromise.* Sidgwick, *Methods of Ethics.* Leslie Stephen, *Hours in a Library* (first series). Stubbs, *Constitutional History.* Swinburne, *Bothwell.* Death of Agnes Strickland, biographer (*July* 13). Death of Sydney Dobell, poet (*Aug.* 22). Death of B. W. Procter, poet (*Oct.* 4). New Shakspere Society founded.
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motion rejected by 458 votes to 61. Sir S. Northcote's Budget shows a surplus of about £6,000,000. The income-tax reduced to 2d.		

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of Mme. Parepa-Rosa (*Jan.* 22). Death of Owen Jones, decorative artist (*April* 19). Production of the *School for Scandal* at the Prince of Wales', Mrs. Bancroft as Lady Teazle (*April*). Chelsea Embankment opened (*May*). Eliz. Thompson's *Roll Call*, Alma-Tadema's *Picture Gallery*, and J. W. Waterhouse's *Sleep and Death*, at the R. A. Exhibition of Whistler's works. Albert Grant beautifies Leicester Square (*July*). Balfe's *Il Talismano* produced at Her Majesty's (*June* 11). Demolition of Northumberland House (*July*). Death of J. H. Foley, sculptor (*Aug.* 27). Alfred Cellier's opera, *The Sultan of Mocha*, produced. Irving as *Hamlet* at the Lyceum (*Oct.* 30). First appearance in London of Mlle. Janotha, and of Sarasate. University Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by George Frederick.	G. Smith commences his excavations at Nineveh (*Jan.*). Lieut. Cameron begins his journey across Africa from Zanzibar to Loanda (*May*). Tyndall's address on the Atomic Theory, delivered as President of the British Association meeting at Belfast, arouses much controversy (*Aug.*). Death of Sir John Rennie, engineer (*Sept.* 3). Publication of Schliemann's *Antiquities of Troy*. Publication of Norman Lockyer's *Solar Physics*. First meeting of the Congress of Orientalists in London (*Sept.*).	Marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh to the Grand Duchess Marie Alexandrovna (*Jan.* 23). The Tichborne perjury trial terminates on the 188th day. Arthur Orton sentenced to 14 years' hard labour (*Feb.* 28). Railway accident at Norwich, 25 killed (*Sept.* 10). Explosion of powder-barge on the Regent's Canal (*Oct.* 2). Midland Railway abolish second class (*Nov.* 17). *Cospatrick*, emigrant ship, burnt; loss of over 430 persons (*Nov.* 19). Railway accident on the Great Western Railway near Shipton-on-Cherwell, 34 killed (*Dec.* 24).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Disraeli. Gladstone again retires from the leadership of the Liberal party on account of old age (*Jan.* 13). Lord Hartington succeeds him. Northcote's Budget contains proposals for a new sinking-fund (*April*). Cross's Artisans' Dwellings Act passed. The exclusion of "strangers" from the House of Commons made dependent on the vote of the House, and not on the objection of a single member (*April*). Agricultural Holdings Act passed. Act for the Registration of Trade-Marks passed. Merchant Shipping Bill introduced by the Government. The Government afterwards proposes to drop it for the session, whereupon Plimsoll causes a "scene" (*July* 22). A temporary Bill passed in consequence of public excitement (*Aug.*). Amendment of the labour laws. Trades-union action in trade disputes no longer a conspiracy. The first Admiralty slave-circular, ordering surrender of slaves who have escaped on board a British man-of-war, causes much adverse criticism. Death of Ward Hunt.	The Lord Mayor and Sheriffs pay a State visit to Paris (*Jan.* 5). The Sultan of Zanzibar visits England. The Prince of Wales visits India (*Oct.*). Attack by Malays on the British Residency, Perak (*Nov.* 2). Lord Carnarvon proposes confederation of the South African colonies. Purchase of the Khedive's Suez Canal shares by the British Government. [Insurrection in Herzegovina, and much excitement in other Christian provinces of Turkey.]	M. Arnold, *God and the Bible.* Browning, *Aristophanes' Apology; The Inn Album.* Carlyle, *Early Kings of Norway.* Dowden, *Shakspere, his Mind and Art.* Gladstone, *Vaticanism.* Holyoake, *History of Co-operation in England.* Maine, *Early Institutions.* Martin, *Life of the Prince Consort* (vol. i.). Meredith, *Beauchamp's Career.* Symonds, *Renaissance in Italy* (vol. i.). Tennyson, *Queen Mary.* Death of C. Kingsley (*Jan.* 23). Death of Sir A. Helps, essayist (*Mar.* 7). Death of Prof. Cairnes, political economist (*July* 8). Death of Bishop Thirlwall, historian (*July* 27). Death of Lord Stanhope, historian (*Dec.* 24).

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Production of Byron's *Our Boys* at the Vaudeville, where it ran for over four years. David James, Thorne, Charles Warner, were in the casts (*Jan.* 16).

Congregational Memorial Hall opened (*Jan.* 19).

Death of Sir W. Sterndale Bennett, musician (*Feb.* 1).

Salvini appears as Othello (*April* 1).

Ellen Terry appears as Portia at the Prince of Wales' Theatre (*April*).

Death of Alfred Stevens, sculptor (*May* 1).

G. F. Watts' *Dedicated to all the Churches*, E. Long's *Babylonian Marriage Market*, Herkomer's *Last Muster*, MacWhirter's *Land of the Mountain and the Flood*, exhibited at the R. A.

Wagner's *Lohengrin* produced at Covent Garden (*May* 8).

Death of Frederick Walker, painter (*June* 4).

Carl Rosa Opera Company formed (*Sept.* 1).

Wynn-Ellis bequest of pictures to the nation (*Nov.*).

The Spelling-Bee introduced from America.

University Boat Race won by Oxford by ten lengths.

The Derby won by Galopin.

Boyton crosses the Channel in a special dress

Inventions and Discoveries.

The London Bicycle Club opened (*Jan.*).

First cabman's shelter in London (*Feb.*).

Death of Sir Charles Lyell, geologist (*Feb.* 22).

Arctic expedition under Captain Nares starts (*April*).

G. Smith's discoveries of Assyrian antiquities continued.

Lieut. Cameron arrives at Loanda, having crossed Africa (*Dec.*).

Death of Sir Charles Wheatstone, physicist (*Oct.* 19).

Eighty-one ton gun completed at Woolwich (*Nov.*).

Miscellaneous.

Libel action against Baron Albert Grant and Sampson, formerly sub-editor of the *Times* (*Jan.*).

Moody and Sankey's revival meetings in London and elsewhere.

Colonel Valentine Baker convicted of assault on a lady in a railway carriage (*Aug.*).

The *Mistletoe*, private yacht, run down by the Royal yacht *Alberta* (*Aug.* 18).

H.M.S. *Vanguard* sunk by H.M.S. *Iron Duke*; no lives lost (*Sept.* 1).

Wainwright convicted of the murder of Harriet Lane, and his brother of being accessory (*Nov.* 22).

Opening of the first session of the new Supreme Court of Judicature (*Nov.* 2).

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(*June*); Captain Webb swims across the Channel (*Aug.*).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Disraeli. Parliament opened by the Queen, the first time for many years (*Feb.* 8). Additional Titles Bill passed, enabling the Queen to take the title of Empress of India. Purchase of the Suez Canal shares much criticised by the Liberals. Northcote's Budget puts an extra penny on the income-tax (now 3d.). Incomes under £150 exempt from tax. Army estimates, £13,989,000; navy estimates, £11,289,000. Government asserts that the accounts of the Bulgarian atrocities are much exaggerated, and takes up a pro-Turkish policy. Attack on the Eastern policy of the Government. Disraeli's last speech in the House of Commons (*Aug.* 11). Disraeli becomes Lord Beaconsfield and Lord Privy Seal. Gladstone's pamphlet, *The Bulgarian Horrors*, published (*Sept.*). Vigorous agitation against the Eastern policy of the Government. Lord Beaconsfield threatens Russia with war at the Lord Mayor's banquet (*Nov.* 9).	Prince of Wales returns from India (*May*). England accepts Count Andrassy's note urging reform in Turkey (*Jan.* 18). Lord Lytton made Viceroy of India, in place of Lord Northbrook, resigned (*Feb.*). Adoption of a "forward" policy on the frontier. A "scientific frontier" is aimed at. [Massacres by the Turks in Bulgaria.] English Government refuse to sign the Berlin memorandum urging reform on Turkey (*May*). British fleet ordered to Besika Bay (*May* 24). [Deposition of Abdul Aziz.] Murad V. becomes Sultan (*May* 30). The Khedive Ismail accepts Goschen's scheme for settling the Egyptian debt (*Nov.* 24). Conference at Constantinople, at which Lord Salisbury is present (*Dec.*). [The Sultan professes to accept the reforms, and promulgates a Constitution (*Dec.*).]	Browning, *Pacchiarotto.* Darwin, *Cross and Self-Fertilisation.* G. Eliot, *Daniel Deronda.* L. Morris, *Epic of Hades.* W. Morris, *Sigurd the Volsung.* Spencer, *Principles of Sociology* (vol. i.). L. Stephen, *English Thought in the Eighteenth Century.* Swinburne, *Erechtheus.* Trevelyan, *Life of Macaulay.* Wallace, *Geographical Distribution of Animals.* Death of John Forster, biographer (*Feb.* 1). Death of Harriet Martineau, historian (*June* 27).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Royal Aquarium, Westminster, opened (*Jan.*). Jennie Lee appears as Jo at the Globe (*Feb.*). Irving appears as Othello at the Lyceum (*Feb.*). Uncovering of the Albert Memorial statue by Foley (*Mar.*). Tennyson's *Queen Mary* produced at the Lyceum, with music by Villiers Stanford (*April* 19). Opening of the chapel of Keble College, designed by Butterfield (*April* 24). Death of Dr. S. S. Wesley, musician (*April* 19). Leighton's *Daphnephoria*, Poynter's *Atalanta*, L. Fildes' *Widower*, Alma-Tadema's *Audience at Agrippa's*, Macbeth's *A Lincolnshire Gang*, exhibited at the R. A. Gainsborough's *Duchess of Devonshire* stolen from Agnew's (*May*). National Training School for Music opened (*May*). Last appearance of Helen Faucit in London as Iolanthe in *King René's Daughter* (*June*). Re-opening of Salisbury Cathedral after restoration (*Nov.* 1). Exhibition of drawings by Blake, and of pictures by F. Walker and G. Pinwell. New wing of the National Gallery opened, designed by E. M. Barry.	Arrival of Captain Burnaby at Khiva, having ridden from Kars. Controversy on spontaneous generation (abiogenesis). Tyndall's experiments settle the question. Return of the *Challenger* Expedition (*May*). Return of Nares' Polar Expedition (*Nov.*). Photography used for recording stars invisible to the naked eye. Huxley's lectures to the London Institute on the pedigree of the Horse. THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*). University Boat Race won by Cambridge (eight lengths). The Derby won by Kisber.	Banner Oakley Co-operative Bank frauds discovered (*Jan.*). Oakley is convicted (*Aug.*). *Strathclyde* and *Franconia* collision (*Feb.* 17). Heavy snowstorm on Good Friday Eve (*April* 13). The Bravo case—second inquest held (*July*). Explosion on board H.M.S. *Thunderer* (*July* 11). Anti-Ritualistic riots begin at St. James's, Hatcham. See of Truro founded; Dr. E. W. Benson first Bishop. Slade the spiritualist convicted of obtaining money by false pretences (slate-writing) (*Nov.* 31).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Beaconsfield. Attack in both Houses on the Eastern policy of the Government, defeated by large majorities. Army estimates, £14,538,000; navy, £10,972,000. The Gothenburg system advocated in the House of Commons by Chamberlain (*Mar.*). Shaw's motion to inquire into the causes of the demand for Home Rule is rejected by 417 votes to 67 (*April* 24). During the passage of the South Africa Bill, C. S. Parnell and the Home Rule members begin a system of organised obstruction. Disorderly scenes in consequence. New Rules proposed by Sir S. Northcote, enabling the House to suspend a member who has been named by the Speaker, without debate (*July* 27). Continuous sitting of the House of Commons for 26 hours (*July* 31–*Aug.* 1). Division between the Home Rulers under Butt and the obstructionist Home Rulers under Parnell. W. H. Smith becomes First Lord of the Admiralty (*Aug.* 7).	Empress of India proclaimed at Delhi (*Jan.* 1). [Turkish Government rejects the proposals of the Conference of Constantinople (*Jan.* 20).] England joins in a protocol inviting the Porte to carry out its promises of reform (*Mar.* 31). [Russia declares war on Turkey (*April* 24).] Transvaal Republic annexed by proclamation to the British Empire (*April* 12). South African Confederation Act enables the English colonies and the Boer republics to form a Confederation. Attack by H.M.S. *Shah* on the Peruvian warship *Huascar* (*May* 29). Famine in South India. The Indian Government "Famine Fund" instituted.	S. Butler, *Life and Habit.* Dobson, *Proverbs in Porcelain.* Mallock, *New Republic.* H. Martineau, *Autobiography.* Ouida, *Ariadne.* Patmore, *The Unknown Eros.* Smith and Wace, *Dictionary of Christian Biography.* Tennyson, *Harold.* M. Wallace, *Russia.* Death of Bagehot (*Mar.* 24). The *Nineteenth Century* (review) commenced.

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The Arts and Sport.

Opening of the new hall of Balliol College, designed by Waterhouse (*Jan.* 9).

Irving appears as Richard III. at the Lyceum (*Jan.* 29).

Farewell benefit of John Parry at the Gaiety (*Feb.* 7).

Wagner conducts at the Wagner festival at the Albert Hall (*May*).

Irving in the *Lyons Mail* at the Lyceum (*May*).

F. Dicksee's *Harmony*, Macbeth's *Potato Harvest*, Yeames' *Amy Robsart*, Leighton's *Music Lesson*, Millais' *Yeomen of the Guard*, Orchardson's *The Queen of the Swords*, exhibited at the R. A.

Opening exhibition at the Grosvenor Gallery. E. Burne Jones' *Days of Creation*, *Venus' Mirror*, *The Beguiling of Merlin*, Watts' *Love and Death*, together with *Nocturnes*, *Harmonies*, and *Arrangements*, by Whistler, included among the pictures.

The Walker Art Gallery at Liverpool opened (*Sept.*).

Manchester Town Hall, designed by A. Waterhouse, opened (*Sept.*).

Completion of the new nave of Bristol Cathedral, by G. E. Street (*Oct.*).

Production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Sorcerer* at the Opera Comique, with G. Grossmith in the title-rôle (*Nov.* 17).

Inventions and Discoveries.

Composite portraits taken by Dr. F. Galton.

Jablochkoff's system for electric lighting tested at the West India Docks (*June*).

Experiments with the telephone conducted by J. C. Bennett at the Queen's Theatre (*July*).

Edison's phonograph described in English scientific journals.

The telephone employed in the Post Office telegraphs (*Dec.*).

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

The University Boat Race—a dead heat.

The Derby won by Silvio.

Walking match between Weston and O'Leary; the latter wins, walking 520 miles in 6 days.

Gale walks 1500 miles in 1000 hours.

Miscellaneous.

Lord Penzance commits the Rev. A. Tooth to prison for disobedience to his orders as "Dean of Arches" (*Jan.* 22).

Goncourt turf frauds discovered. Trial of Benson (*April*). Later, several Bow Street detectives are convicted of a share in the conspiracy.

C. Bradlaugh and Annie Besant sentenced to fine and imprisonment for republishing the *Fruits of Philosophy* (*June*). On appeal this sentence is set aside (*Feb.* 1878).

Excitement about the *Priest in Absolution*. Anti-confessional agitation.

Several members of a family named Staunton convicted, with Alice Rhodes, of the murder of Mrs. Louis Staunton by starvation (*Sept.*).

Strike and lockout of shipwrights on the Clyde (*Nov.*). Strike of masons employed on the new Law Courts (*July–Mar.* 1878).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Beaconsfield. Lord Carnarvon leaves the Government on account of their foreign policy. Succeeded as Colonial Secretary by Sir M. H. Beach. "Jingo" war-fever. A supplementary war vote of £6,000,000 is voted by a majority of 204 (*Feb.* 8). Lord Derby resigns his office as Foreign Secretary, owing to the decision of the Government to call out the reserves (*Feb.* 28). He is succeeded by Lord Salisbury. Gathorne Hardy, soon after created Lord Cranbrook, becomes Secretary for India, and Colonel Stanley, Secretary for War. Lords Beaconsfield and Salisbury made K.G.'s (*July*), and presented with freedom of the City of London (*Aug.* 3). Northcote's Budget. Income-tax raised to 5d. Debate on the employment of Indian troops. Government majority, 121 (*May* 23).	Kaffir troubles. [Russian army at Adrianople.] Bases of the peace between Russia and Turkey objected to by British Government. British fleet ordered to proceed to Constantinople (*Jan.* 23). Enters the Dardanelles, but returns to Besika Bay (*Jan.* 25). Again ordered to Constantinople (*Feb.* 7). The Dardanelles passed (*Feb.* 13). [Treaty of San Stefano signed by Russia and Turkey (*Mar.* 3).] A European Congress summoned. The British Government demand that every article of the Treaty should be brought before the Congress. Russian Government unwilling to give this assurance. The English army reserves called out (*April* 1). 7000 Indian troops ordered to Malta (*April* 16). Salisbury - Schouvaloff arrangement (*May* 30). Convention by which England is to occupy Cyprus signed (*June* 4). Congress of Berlin meets (*June* 8). Sir Neville Chamberlain's mission to the Ameer Shere Ali turned back (*Sept.* 22). Invasion of Afghanistan by the Khyber Pass (*Nov.*).	Besant and Rice, *By Celia's Arbour; Monks of Thelema.* Browning, *La Saisiaz.* Hardy, *The Return of the Native.* Lecky, *History of England in the Eighteenth Century* (vols. i. and ii.). J. Morley, *Diderot.* R. L. Stevenson, *An Inland Voyage.* English Men of Letters Series commenced. Death of Dr. Doran (*Jan.* 25). Death of G. H. Lewes (*Nov.* 30). Death of Whyte-Melville (*Dec.* 5). Folk-Lore Society founded.

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The Arts and Sport.

Production of *Diplomacy* at the Prince of Wales' Theatre; Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft, Mr. and Mrs. Kendal, John Clayton, Arthur Cecil, and H. B. Conway in the cast (*Jan.* 12).

Death of G. Cruickshank, illustrator (*Feb.* 1).

Production of *Les Cloches de Corneville* at the Folly Theatre, with Shiel Barry as Gaspard (*Feb.*).

Production of *Louis XI.* at the Lyceum Theatre (*Mar.* 9).

Death of Sir G. G. Scott, R.A., architect (*Mar.* 27).

Production of W. G. Wills' *Olivia* at the Court Theatre, with Ellen Terry, Herman Vezin, and W. Terriss in the principal parts (*Mar.* 30).

Production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Pinafore* (*May* 25).

Sir Frederick Leighton elected P. R. A. on the death of Sir F. Grant (*Oct.* 5).

Death of Charles J. Mathews, actor (*June* 24).

Death of Samuel Phelps, actor (*Nov.* 6).

Publication of *John Gilpin* and other toy-books, illustrated by Randolph Caldecott.

Cecil Lawson's *Wet Morn* and *Autumn Sunrise*, portraits of Mrs. Langtry by Millais and Poynter, exhibited at the R. A.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Arrival of Cleopatra's Needle (*Jan.*), and its erection on the Thames Embankment (*Sept.*).

The Tay Bridge completed (*Feb.*).

Darwin describes his experiments with insectivorous plants.

Exhibition of electric lights at the Albert Hall (*May*).

Electric light adopted in many large buildings in London (*July*).

Edison's contrivance for the subdivision of the electric current patented (*Oct.*).

Dr. Norman Lockyer explains his views as to the compound character of the chemical "elements" (*Dec.*).

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

Cecil Lawson's *Minister's Garden*, Watts' *Time and Death*, Burne-Jones' *Laus Veneris*, *Seasons*, *Pan and Psyche*, and *Chant d'Amour*, at the Grosvenor Gallery.

University Boat Race won by Oxford by ten lengths.

The Derby won by Sefton.

Australian cricket team in England; wins eleven games and loses five.

Miscellaneous.

Mansion House Indian Famine Fund reaches over £500,000.

Rev. H. Dodwell attempts to shoot Sir G. Jessel, Master of the Rolls (*Feb.* 22).

The *Eurydice* training-ship capsizes; about 300 lads lost (*Mar.* 24).

Lord Leitrim assassinated in Ireland (*April* 1).

Great strike of Lancashire cotton operatives; mills wrecked; 120,000 men on strike (*April–June*). In this year there were nearly 280 strikes, few successful.

Bagot will case tried at Dublin.

Lord Penzance suspends Rev. A. H. Mackonochie, vicar of St. Alban's, Holborn, for disobedience to his monition (*June*).

The *Princess Alice* excursion steamer run down in the Thames near Woolwich. About 700 drowned (*Sept.* 3).

Abercarn colliery explosion. Over 260 killed (*Sept.* 11).

City of Glasgow Bank suspends payment (*Oct.* 2).

Case of Whistler *v.* Ruskin for libel in *Fors Clavigera*. Plaintiff gets one farthing damages (*Nov.* 25).

Death of Princess Alice of Hesse (*Dec.* 9).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Beaconsfield. Northcote's Budget shows £2,000,000 surplus. Army Discipline and Regulation Act, replacing the old Mutiny Act, passed. Death of Isaac Butt, M.P. (*May* 5). Bill to legalise marriage with a deceased wife's sister, supported by the Prince of Wales and other members of the Royal Family, rejected by the Lords (*May* 5). Tracy Turnerelli's gold laurel wreath refused by Lord Beaconsfield (*June* 16). Irish University Act passed. Obstruction by the Parnellite Home Rulers. The Irish Land League formed by Michael Davitt. Anti-rent agitation in Ireland. Gladstone's "Midlothian Campaign" (*Nov.–Dec.*).	Sir Bartle Frere, Governor of the Cape, attacks the Zulus, apparently without consulting the Home Government. Invasion of the Zulu country by Lord Chelmsford. British force almost annihilated at Isandlwana. Defence of Rorke's Drift (*Jan.* 22). The Khedive Ismail attempts to get rid of his European financial advisers. He is deposed by the Sultan, on pressure by England and France, and his son Tewfik made Khedive (*June* 26). Yakoob Khan, the new Ameer, signs Treaty of Gandamak, by which a British Resident is to live at Cabul (*May*). French Prince Imperial killed by Zulus (*June* 1). Zulus completely routed by Lord Chelmsford, who had received reinforcements, at Ulundi (*July* 4). Sir G. Wolseley's abortive settlement of Zululand (*July*). Attack on the British Residency at Cabul. Murder of Sir L. Cavagnari and others (*Sept.*). Fresh Afghan war. General Roberts at Cabul (*Dec.*).	E. Arnold, *The Light of Asia.* M. Arnold, *Mixed Essays.* Browning, *Dramatic Idyls.* W. K. Clifford, *Essays.* G. Eliot, *Impressions of Theophrastus Such.* Grove and others, *Dictionary of Music* (begun). MacCarthy, *History of our Own Times.* G. Meredith, *The Egoist.* L. Morris, *Gwen.* Seeley, *Life and Times of Stein.* Spencer, *Data of Ethics.* R. L. Stevenson, *Travels with a Donkey.* Death of Professor W. K. Clifford (*Mar.* 3). Death of Sir A. Panizzi (*April* 8).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of E. M. Ward, R.A., painter (*Jan.* 14). Mrs. Bernard Beere appears at the Olympic in Gilbert's *Gretchen* (*Mar.* 24). Offenbach's *Madame Favart* at the Strand, with Florence St. John, Marius, and Harry Cox (*April* 12). Burne-Jones' *Annunciation* and the *Pygmalion* series; Richmond's *Sarpedon*, Watts' *Paolo and Francesca* and *Orpheus and Eurydice*, exhibited at the Grosvenor Gallery. Frank Holl's portrait of Piatti, Briton Rivière's *Poacher's Widow*, at the R. A. First Richter Orchestral Concert in London (*May* 5). Comédie Française, including Mme. Sara Bernhardt, at the Gaiety Theatre (*June*). *Drink* at the Princess's, with C. Warner as Coupeau (*June* 2). *The Merchant of Venice* at the Lyceum (*Nov.*). Death of J. B. Buckstone, actor (*Oct.* 31). Tennyson's *Falcon* at the St. James's (*Dec.* 18). University Boat Race won by Cambridge. The Derby won by Sir Bevys.	The telephone first largely applied to business purposes in London. Death of J. Clerk Maxwell, physicist (*Nov.* 5).	Peace the burglar and murderer attempts to escape from custody by leaping from a train (*Jan.* 22). He is executed (*Feb.* 25). Dr. Newman made a cardinal. Katherine Webster tried and executed for the murder of Mrs. Thomas at Richmond, Surrey (*July*). Final award of the arbitrators who wound up the European Assurance Society (1872-1879). Judgment of Lord Penzance against Mackonochie, Green, Dale, and other Ritualistic clergy. Destruction of the Tay Bridge by a hurricane (*Dec.* 28). Great depression of trade. Much agricultural distress, both in Great Britain and Ireland. The Royal Irish University founded.

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Home Politics.

Beaconsfield: Gladstone.

Agrarian murders and outrages in Ireland.

Act for Relief of Distress in Ireland passed.

Obstruction by Home Rulers leads to further change in the rules of the House of Commons.

Budget shows deficit.

Gladstone's vigorous electoral campaign in Scotland, in which he makes a violent attack on Austria (*Mar.*).

General election results in the return of 354 Liberals, 236 Conservatives, and 62 Home Rulers.

Lord Beaconsfield and his colleagues resign. Liberal Government formed by Mr. Gladstone: Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury, and Chancellor of the Exchequer; Sir W. Harcourt, Home Secretary; Lord Granville, Foreign Secretary; Lord Hartington, Indian Secretary; Earl of Kimberley, Colonial Secretary; Childers, War Secretary; Lord Northbrook, Admiralty; Forster, Chief-Secretary for Ireland; Lord Selborne, Lord Chancellor; the Duke of Argyll, H. Fawcett, and J. Bright are also members of the Cabinet.

The new Parliament (tenth of the reign) meets (*April* 29).

Bradlaugh claims to substitute affirmation for oath. This leads to long debates. The House, in spite of Mr. Gladstone, will allow him neither to affirm nor take the oath.

Supplementary Budget.

Foreign and Colonial Politics.

Large relief fund for Ireland raised in the United States.

Mr. Gladstone apologises to Austria (*May* 4).

Mr. Goschen sent to Constantinople to replace Sir H. Layard.

Lord Ripon becomes Viceroy of India instead of Lord Lytton, and begins a policy of conciliating native opinion (*May*).

Sir Hercules Robinson made Governor of the Cape, in place of Sir Bartle Frere (*Aug.*).

Berlin Conference to settle the Greek frontier question (*June–July*).

Abdur-Rahman is recognised as Ameer of Afghanistan. Defeat of General Burrows at Maiwand by the followers of Ayub Khan (*July* 27). General Roberts marches from Cabul to Candahar (*Aug.*). Victory of Candahar or Pir-Paimail (*Sept.* 1).

Naval demonstration at Dulcigno, to compel the Sultan to carry out the cession which had been agreed to at Berlin (*Sept.*).

The Transvaal Boers revolt (*Dec.*).

Home Politics (*contd.*).

Another penny on the income-tax.

Forster's Compensation for Disturbance Bill (Ireland) rejected by the Lords (*Aug.* 3).

Literature.

Baring-Gould, *Mehalah.*

Lord Beaconsfield, *Endymion.*

Black, *Sunrise.*

Hardy, *The Trumpet-Major.*

Hodgkin, *Italy and her Invaders.*

Lang, *Ballades in Blue China.*

Masson, *Life of Milton* (completed).

Ouida, *Moths.*

W. R. Smith, *The Old Testament in the Jewish Church.*

Swinburne, *Songs of the Springtides.*

Tennyson, *Ballads and other Poems.*

Death of Tom Taylor, dramatist (*July* 12).

Death of George Eliot (*Dec.* 22).

Home Politics (*contd.*).

Parnell advocates the isolation of "land grabbers" in Ireland (*Sept.*), and stirs up hopes of armed intervention of the United States (*Oct.*).

Land League agitation leads to "boycotting," mutilation of cattle, murder, and outrage, while juries refuse to convict (*Oct.–Dec.*).

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The Arts and Sport.

Opening of the Haymarket Theatre by the Bancrofts; the abolition of the pit provokes disturbance (*Jan.* 31).

Foundation-stone of Truro Cathedral laid (*May* 20).

Berlioz's *Damnation de Faust* produced by Charles Hallé (*May*).

Munkaczy's *Two Families*, Orchardson's *Napoleon on Board the Bellerophon* at the R. A.

Bastien-Lepage's *Les Foins* and other pictures, Lawson's *August Moon*, Alma-Tadema's *A Question*, Linton's *Victorious*, Burne-Jones' *The Golden Stairs* at the Grosvenor Gallery.

Death of Adelaide Neilson (*Aug.* 18).

Production of Hubert Parry's *Prometheus Unbound* at the Gloucester Festival (*Sept.*).

Production of Sullivan's *Martyr of Antioch* at the Leeds Festival (*Oct.*).

Booth, the American actor, at the Princess's Theatre (*Nov.*).

Irving revives *The Corsican Brothers*.

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Pirates of Penzance* produced (*April*).

Madame Modjeska at the Court Theatre.

As You Like It at the Imperial Theatre, with Marie Litton, Kyrle Bellew, and W. Farren in the cast.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Siemens' electric-furnace exhibited (*Mar.*).

The Fleuss diving-dress exhibited (*April*).

Death of Keith Johnstone at Berobero, on an exploring expedition.

His work is continued by James Thomson.

Electric lighting on the Thames Embankment and in the British Museum.

The *Livadia*, built for the Czar, is launched on the Clyde (*July*).

Opening of the Mason Science College, Birmingham (*Oct.*).

Invention of Swan's incandescent lamp.

Ascent by Edward Whymper of Chimborazo and other high peaks in the Andes.

Miscellaneous.

West of England Bank directors tried and acquitted (*April–May*).

Messrs. Dale and Enraght sent to prison for persisting in Ritualistic practices (*Oct.–Nov.*).

Sir Alex. Cockburn, Lord Chief-Justice, dies (*Nov.* 20). He is succeeded by Lord Coleridge.

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

Guildhall School of Music opened.

Erection of the "Griffin" in the Strand in place of Temple Bar.

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Bend Or.

Australian cricketers in England; win twenty-one matches out of thirty-seven.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Parliament meets (*Jan.* 6). W. E. Forster introduces Bill for Protection of Persons and Property in Ireland (Coercion Bill) (*Jan.* 24). Violent behaviour of the Parnellite party, many of whom have to be suspended (*Feb.* 3). The Bill is passed and receives Royal assent (*Mar.* 2). Peace Preservation (Ireland) Bill (The Arms Bill) passed. Fresh rules of procedure adopted by the House of Commons (*Feb.* 9). Gladstone's Budget shows an estimated surplus of £1,185,000. He reduces income-tax to 5d., and adds 4d. per gallon to the duty on foreign spirits (*April*). Irish Land Bill extends the system of dual ownership, under the name of tenant-right, begun in 1870. Erects a Land Court to adjust rents (*April*). Death of Lord Beaconsfield (*April* 19). Lord Salisbury becomes head of the Conservative party. The Primrose League instituted. Bradlaugh again attempts to take his seat (*April* 26, *Aug.* 2). Irish Land League produces a reign of terror in Ireland.	British troops under Sir G. Colley defeated by the Boers at Laing's Neck (*Jan.* 26) and Majuba Hill (*Feb.* 27). Armistice with the Boers (*Mar.* 6). Peace made with the Boers, giving them self-government, but retaining the suzerainty of the Queen (*Mar.*). Candahar evacuated (*April*). [Military revolt at Cairo under Arabi Pasha (*Sept.* 9).] The Errington mission to the Pope (*Oct.*). [Czar Alexander II. assassinated (*Mar.* 13).] [President Garfield assassinated (*July* 2).]	Besant and Rice, *Chaplain of the Fleet.* R. Buchanan, *God and the Man.* Carlyle, *Reminiscences.* Darwin, *Earth-Worms.* Hardy, *A Laodicean.* Jefferies, *Wood Magic.* J. Morley, *Life of Cobden.* G. J. Romanes, *Animal Intelligence; Evidences of Organic Evolution.* Chr. Rossetti, *A Pageant and Other Poems.* D. G. Rossetti, *Ballads and Sonnets.* Shorthouse, *John Inglesant.* R. L. Stevenson, *Virginibus Puerisque.* Trevelyan, *Life of Fox.* Revised Version of the New Testament published. Printed Catalogue of the British Museum undertaken. Death of Carlyle (*Feb.* 5). Death of Dean Stanley (*July* 18). Death of G. Borrow (*July* 30). Death of J. H. Burton, historian (*Aug.* 10). Death of W. R. Greg, essayist (*Nov.* 15).
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Parnell, Dillon, Sexton, O'Kelly, and other Irish leaders arrested (*Oct.* 13). They call on tenants to pay no rent while they are imprisoned. The Land League is declared illegal by Government, and its meetings are suppressed (*Oct.* 18).	

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The Arts and Sport.

Death of E. A. Sothern, actor (*Jan.* 20).

Tennyson's *Cup* produced at the Lyceum, with Irving and Ellen Terry in the principal parts (*Jan.*).

C. V. Stanford's *Veiled Prophet* produced in Hanover (*Feb.*).

F. C. Burnand's play, *The Colonel*, produced at the Prince of Wales' Theatre (*Feb.*).

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Patience* at the Opera Comique (*April*).

Leader's *February Fill Dyke*, Dicksee's *The Symbol*, Leighton's *Idyll*, Tadema's *Sappho*, Millais' *Cinderella*, Herkomer's *Missing*, H. Thornycroft's *Teucer* exhibited at the R. A.

Saxe-Meiningen Company at Drury Lane (*May*).

Death of Samuel Palmer, water-colour painter, (*May* 24).

G. R. Sims' *Lights o' London* at the Princess's (*Sept.*).

Watts' pictures at the Grosvenor Gallery (*Dec.*).

Death of Decimus Burton, architect (*Dec.* 14).

Mrs. Langtry makes her first appearance in London as Miss Hardcastle in *She Stoops to Conquer*, at the Haymarket Theatre (*Dec.* 15).

Death of G. E. Street, architect (*Dec.* 18).

Inventions and Discoveries.

Inman steamer *City of Rome*, 8826 tons (largest steamer built at this date, except the *Great Eastern*), launched (*June*).

Death of Sir Josiah Mason (*June* 16).

Death of S. Sharpe, Egyptologist (*July* 28).

E. Muybridge's photographs of animals in rapid movement exhibited.

Swan's incandescent electric lamps become popular.

The town of Godalming is lighted by electricity (*Dec.*).

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

Pinero's *The Squire* produced at the St. James's Theatre.

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Iroquois.

Miscellaneous.

Sudden frost sets in. Thermometer several degrees below zero (*Jan.* 13).

Strike of colliers in Lancashire (*Jan.* 28).

Women admitted to the Tripos examinations at Cambridge (*Feb.* 24).

Attempt to blow up the Mansion House (*Mar.* 16).

Death of the Rev. Morley Punshon, Wesleyan Methodist divine (*April* 14).

Attempt to blow up the militia barracks at Chester (*May* 5); St. George's Hall, Liverpool (*June* 10).

Prof. Robertson Smith suspended from his professorship and clerical duties by the General Assembly of the Free Church (*May*).

Volunteer review in celebration of the majority of the Volunteer movement takes place in Windsor Park. 56,000 march past the Queen (*July* 9).

Wreck of the Cape Mail steamer *Teuton* (*Aug.* 30).

Œcumenical Methodist Conference at City Road Chapel (*Sept.*).

Rev. S. F. Green committed to prison for disobedience to Lord Penzance (*Mar.*). He was kept in Lancaster Gaol till November 1882.

Census taken: England and Wales, 25,968,286; Scotland, 3,734,370; Ireland, 5,159,839.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Many moonlight and other outrages in Ireland. Murder, mutilation of cattle, and other manifestations of patriotic zeal. Gladstone's Budget shows a small surplus (£300,000). The Closure adopted (*Feb.*). Bradlaugh expelled from the House (*Feb.* 22). The Government enters into the "Kilmainham Treaty" with Parnell and the other prisoners (*April*). Earl Spencer and Lord Frederick Cavendish succeed Earl Cowper and W. E. Forster as Viceroy and Chief-Secretary. Murder of Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke, Permanent Under-Secretary, in Phœnix Park, Dublin, by the Irish Invincibles (*May* 6). The Parnellite party repudiate the murders (*May* 7). G. Trevelyan appointed Chief-Secretary for Ireland (*May* 9). New Prevention of Crimes Act for Ireland brought in by Sir W. Harcourt (*May* 11). Irish members suspended for obstruction (*June*). Married Women's Property Act passed. Bright retires from the Ministry on account of the Egyptian policy (*July* 17).	[Insurrection in Egypt. The rebel Arabi gets control of the government.] Combined English and French fleet sent to Alexandria (*May*). Mutiny in Alexandria (*June* 11). Fortifications in hands of Arabi are shelled by the English fleet, the French having withdrawn (*July* 11). Expedition to Egypt under Sir G. Wolseley. Arabi's forces defeated in the Battle of Kassassin (*Aug.* 28), and the Battle of Tel-el-Kebir (*Sept.* 13). The Zulu chief Cetewayo in England (*Aug.*).	F. Anstey, *Vice Versâ.* Besant, *All Sorts and Conditions of Men.* Crichton, *History of the Papacy* (vol. i.). Dobson, *Old-World Idylls.* Freeman, *Reign of Rufus.* Froude, *Life of Carlyle* (vols. i. and ii.). J. R. Green, *Making of England.* Hardy, *Two on a Tower.* Seeley, *Natural Religion.* L. Stephen, *Science of Ethics.* Stevenson, *Men and Books; New Arabian Nights.* Swinburne, *Tristram of Lyonesse.* Death of W. H. Ainsworth (*Jan.* 3). Death of T. H. Green, philosopher (*Mar.* 26). Death of D. G. Rossetti (*April* 9). Death of Darwin (*April* 19). Death of James Rice, novelist (*April* 26). Death of J. Thomson, poet (*June* 3). Death of W. Stanley Jevons, economist (*Aug.* 13). Death of Dr. Pusey (*Sept.* 16). Death of Anthony Trollope (*Dec.* 6).
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Irish National League formed (*Oct.*). In an autumn session fresh rules of procedure are adopted (*Nov.–Dec.*). H. Childers becomes Chancellor of the Exchequer.	

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Death of Sir D. Macnee, President of the Royal Scottish Academy (*Jan.* 16). *Romeo and Juliet* at the Lyceum, with Irving and Ellen Terry in the chief parts (*Mar.*). Wagner's *Nibelungen Ring* played at Her Majesty's (*May*). Vladmir de Pachmann plays in London (*May*). Death of H. K. Browne ("Phiz") (*July* 8). Gounod's *Redemption* produced at the Birmingham Festival (*Aug.* 30). Sale of the Hamilton collections for nearly £500,000 (*June-Dec.*). Boehm's statue of Carlyle erected on the Chelsea Embankment (*Oct.*). *Much Ado about Nothing* at the Lyceum (*Oct.* 11). Tennyson's *Promise of May* at the Globe (*Nov.* 14). Gilbert and Sullivan's *Iolanthe* at the Savoy (*Nov.* 25). New Law Courts, designed by G. E. Street, opened (*Dec.*). University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Shotover. An Australian cricket team wins 23 matches out of 38.	Death of Sir R. Christison, physician (*Jan.* 27). Sir W. Palliser dies (*Feb.* 4). Electric tramcars at Leytonstone (*Mar.*) and at the Giant's Causeway (*Dec.*). Koch's discovery of the *bacillus tuberculosis* is announced. The *Alaska* crosses the Atlantic (Queenstown to Sandy Hook) in 6 days 22 minutes (*June*). An electric launch makes a trial trip on the Thames (*Sept.*). The doctrine of Symbiosis put forward by Geddes, Brandt, and Ray Lankester. The Society for Psychical Research founded. Publication of a translation of Weismann's papers on the Theory of Heredity (*Studies in the Theory of Descent*).	Vice-Chancellor Malins dies (*Jan.* 15). The Queen fired at by Maclean, a lunatic (*Mar.* 2). Lamson convicted of the murder of a cripple named Percy John (*Mar.* 14). Epping Forest dedicated to the public (*May* 6). Great seizure of arms and ammunition at Clerkenwell (*June* 17). Three agrarian murders reported from Ireland in one day (*June* 29). Murder of the entire Joyce family by Irish patriots at Maamtrasna (*Aug.* 17). Death of Dr. Tait, Archbishop of Canterbury (*Dec.* 3). He is succeeded by Dr. E. W. Benson. Great fire in Wood Street, City. £2,000,000 damages (*Dec.* 8). Belt libel case lasts 43 days, and terminates in a verdict for Belt, with £5000 damages (*Dec.* 27).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Murders and outrages in Ireland. Discovery of the plot to assassinate W. E. Forster leads to the discovery of the Phœnix Park murderers. Several of the prisoners turn informers, and ultimately James Carey gives evidence against his associates in crime (Brady, Kelly, &c.), (*Jan.*). The Government resists all inquiry into the "Kilmainham Treaty." Childers' first Budget shows an estimated expenditure of £85,789,000, and a revenue of £88,480,000. Reduction in price of telegrams and in railway passenger duty (*Mar.*). New and more stringent Explosives Act introduced by Harcourt, and read three times in an hour and a half (*April* 9). Received Royal assent (*April* 10). Conviction and execution of Joseph Brady, Curley, Fagan, Kelly, Caffrey, and other "Invincibles" (*April–May*). Government introduces an Affirmation Bill, but it was rejected on the second reading by three votes (*May* 3). Lord Rosebery, Under-Secretary to Sir W. Harcourt, resigns (*June*). Royal Commission to	Annihilation of Hicks Pasha's army by the Mahdi's forces (*Nov.* 3). The Ilbert Bill brought forward in India, and approved in a modified form by the Secretary of State (*Dec.*). HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). inquire into the grievances of the crofters in Scotland. The Parnellites endeavour to render the conduct of business in the House of Commons impossible. Fabian Society founded for the propagation of Socialism among the middle classes.	Browning, *Jocoseria.* Hugh Conway, *Called Back.* J. R. Green, *Conquest of England.* T. H. Green, *Prolegomena to Ethics.* R. Jefferies, *The Story of My Heart.* Seeley, *Expansion of England.* Sidgwick, *Political Economy.* R. L. Stevenson, *Treasure Island.* *English Illustrated Magazine* commenced. Death of J. R. Green (*Mar.* 7). Death of E. Fitzgerald, poet (*June* 14). Death of J. P. Collier, Shakesperian scholar (*Sept.* 17). The Shapira MS., offered to the British Museum, is discovered to be a forgery.

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Removal of the lantern tower of Peterborough Cathedral (*Jan.*). Production of Goring Thomas's *Esmeralda* (*Mar.*). Royal College of Music opened (*May* 7). J. W. Waterhouse's *Honorius*, Logsdail's *The Piazza*, Fildes' *The Village Wedding*, at the R. A. *Fédora* in English at the Haymarket (*May*). Dvorák's *Stabat Mater* produced in London, conducted by the composer. Mary Anderson at the Lyceum in the *Lady of Lyons*, and *Pygmalion and Galatea*. New Examination Schools at Oxford, designed by T. G. Jackson, are opened. International Fisheries Exhibition at South Kensington. Captain Webb drowned while trying to swim the Niagara Rapids (*July*). University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by St. Blaise.	Death of D. W. Spottiswoode, F.R.S. (*June* 27). Forth Bridge works begun. H. M. Stanley in Central Africa. Parcels Post comes into operation (*Aug.* 1). Opening of electric railway from Portrush to Bushmills (*Sept.*). Opening of Ben Nevis Observatory (*Oct.*). Death of Sir W. Siemens (*Nov.* 18). A series of remarkable sunsets at the end of the year, thought to be due to volcanic dust in the higher regions of the air.	Irish attempts to blow up the Tradeston (Glasgow) Gasworks (*Jan.* 20), Local Government Board Offices, Whitehall, and the *Times* office (*Mar.* 15), Liverpool (*Mar.* 28), Metropolitan Railway (*Oct.* 30). Discovery of extensive manufacture of nitroglycerine at Birmingham (*April*). Dr. Gallagher and other prisoners tried and convicted for a dynamite conspiracy, of which the headquarters were at Birmingham (*June*). Accident and panic at the Victoria Hall, Sunderland, leads to the death of 182 children (*June* 16). Murder of James Carey, the informer (*July* 30). Parnell presented with £37,000 as a tribute from the Irish people (*Dec.* 11).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Sir S. Northcote's vote of censure on the Government for their Egyptian policy rejected by 311 votes to 292 (*Feb.* 19). Mr. Arthur Peel elected Speaker on the retirement of Sir Henry Brand (*Feb.* 26). Franchise Bill passes the Commons (*Jan.* 26), but is rejected by the Lords, as it includes no redistribution of seats (*July* 6). Agitation against the House of Lords for rejecting the Franchise Bill. Franchise Bill introduced in an autumn session, and read a second time by 372 to 232 (*Nov.* 7). The Liberal and Conservative leaders enter into communication as to Redistribution Bill. In consequence, the Franchise Bill is read a second time in the House of Lords without a division (*Nov.* 18). The Redistribution Bill, which adopts the principle of single-member wards in great cities, and gives Scotland 12 additional members, and raises the number of members to 670, read a second time (*Dec.* 4). Income-tax raised to 6d. (*Nov.*). Naval scare. The Northbrook programme. Government proposes a great addition to the navy—£3,085,000 additional for ships, £1,600,000 for guns, and £825,000 for coaling stations (*Dec.*).	The English Government obliges the Egyptian Government to withdraw to Wady Halfa. General Gordon sent to Khartoum (*Jan.* 18). Russian outposts brought within 200 miles of Herat (*Jan.* 31). Baker Pasha's force defeated by the Mahdists (*Feb.* 4). Sinkat taken by the Mahdists (*Feb.*). General Graham defeats Osman Digna at El Teb (*Mar.* 29). Khartoum besieged by the Mahdi (*Mar.*). Fall of Berber (*May* 23). Lord Northbrook sent to Egypt as High Commissioner (*Aug.*). Lord Dufferin appointed Viceroy of India (*Sept.*). British Protectorate proclaimed over southern part of New Guinea (*Oct.*). Massacre of Col. J. D. Stewart's party, going from Berber to Dongola, by the Mahdists at Wady Garna (*Oct.*). After great delay, the British expedition up the Nile, under Lord Wolseley, starts from Cairo (*Sept.* 29). Afghan Boundary Commission. Sir Peter Lumsden represents Great Britain.	Miss Braddon, *Ishmael.* Brewer, *Reign of Henry VIII.* Browning, *Ferishtah's Fancies.* Croker, *Correspondence and Diary.* Froude, *Life of Carlyle in London.* Lang, *Custom and Myth.* Spencer, *The Man versus the State.* Swinburne, *Midsummer Holiday and Other Poems.* Tennyson, *Becket.* The New English Dictionary, edited by Dr. Murray, commenced. Tennyson created a peer. Death of Charles Reade (*April* 11). Death of Mark Pattison (*July* 30). Death of Sir Alex. Grant (*Nov.* 30).

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Gilbert and Sullivan's *Princess Ida* at the Savoy (*Jan.* 5).

Death of John Hullah, musician (*Feb.* 21).

The Private Secretary at the Princess's, with Beerbohm Tree as the Secretary; afterwards transferred to the Globe, when the part is taken by Penley (*Mar.* 29).

Death of H. J. Byron, dramatist (*April* 11).

Production of C. V. Stanford's *Canterbury Pilgrims* at Drury Lane (*April* 28).

Orchardson's *Mariage de Convenance*, Thornycroft's *Mower*, and Alfred Gilbert's *Icarus*, at the R. A.

Twelfth Night at the Lyceum (*July*).

Free Library and Museum opened at Newcastle-on-Tyne (*Aug.*).

H. A. Jones' *Saints and Sinners* produced at the Vaudeville (*Sept.* 25).

Wilson Barrett as Hamlet at the Princess's (*Oct.*).

The Gallery of Casts opened at South Kensington.

Mlle. Kleeberg's début at the Crystal Palace (*Nov.*).

A. C. Mackenzie's *Rose of Sharon* produced at the Norwich Festival (*Oct.*).

The Ansidei *Madonna* and Vandyke's *Charles I. on Horseback* added to the National Gallery.

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby—a dead heat between St. Gatien and Harvester.

E. and W. Renshaw defeat the Americans Sears and Dwight at a lawn-tennis tournament at Liverpool, and become absolute holders of the Championship Cup.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Death of Professor J. H. Balfour, botanist (*Feb.* 11).

Photogravure process introduced.

Earthquake shocks felt in the Eastern Counties (*April* 22).

The survivors of the Greely Expedition to the North Pole rescued (*June* 22).

Completion of the Inner Circle of the Metropolitan Railway (*Oct.*).

Pasteur announces the success of inoculation for hydrophobia.

Ascent of Mount Cook, the highest summit of the New Zealand Alps, by the Rev. W. S. Green.

International Health Exhibition at South Kensington.

Miscellaneous.

Royal Commission on the Housing of the Working Classes (*Feb.*).

Dynamite explosion in the cloak-room of Victoria Station (*Feb.* 26). Machines for producing similar explosions were found at Charing Cross, Paddington, and Ludgate Hill stations.

Accident on the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway at Penistone; 25 persons killed (*July* 16).

The captain and survivors of the yacht *Mignonette* condemned to death for murder of a boy, whom they ate, when cast away in an open boat. Sentence commuted to six months' imprisonment with hard labour (*Sept.*).

Release of Arthur Orton (*Oct.*).

Miss Fortescue (Finney) obtains £10,000 damages in her action for breach of promise against Lord Garmoyle (*Nov.*).

Adams *v.* Coleridge: Mr. Justice Manisty sets aside the verdict of the jury (*Nov.* 22), and decides in favour of his brother judge.

Dynamite explosion at London Bridge (*Dec.* 13).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone : Salisbury. Attempt made by Sir J. Lubbock and others to get the principle of proportional representation introduced into the Redistribution Bill, defeated by 134 votes to 31 (*Mar.*). The Government ask for a vote of credit for £11,000,000, in view of the quarrel with Russia (*April* 21). Childers' third Budget. To meet a deficit of over £1,000,000 and the recent vote of £11,000,000, he proposes to suspend the action of Northcote's sinking fund, to raise the income-tax from 6d. to 8d., to increase the spirit and beer duties (*April*). The Government is defeated on Sir M. H. Beach's motion condemning the increase of the spirit and beer duties, by 264 votes to 252 (*June* 8). Resignation of Mr. Gladstone. Conservative Government formed (*June*): Lord Salisbury, Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary; Lord Iddesleigh (Northcote), First Lord of the Treasury; Lord Carnarvon, Viceroy of Ireland; Sir W. Hart Dyke, Chief-Secretary. The new Government decides not to renew the Crimes Act, which expires in August. The Liberals accuse the Government of entering on a treaty with the Parnellites (*Aug.*). Criminal Law Amendment Act passed (*Aug.*). General Election. Mr. Chamberlain's "Unauthorised Programme" put	War with the Arabs of the Soudan. The Nile Expedition under Lord Wolseley approaches Khartoum. Gen. H. Stewart defeats the dervishes at Abu Klea (*Jan.* 17) and Metemneh (*Jan.* 19). Fall of Khartoum and death of Gordon (*Jan.* 26). Guards sent to Suakim, and first-class army reserve called out (*Feb.*). Attacks by the dervishes, under Osman Digna, on the British near Suakim. Contingent from New South Wales arrives at Suakim (*Mar.*). Withdrawal of garrisons from the Soudan. Dongola evacuated (*June*). Revolt of Indians and half-breeds in Manitoba, under Riel (*May–June*), who is captured and shot. War threatened with Russia on account of the differences between General Komaroff and Sir P. Lumsden at Penjdeh. Komaroff and Alikhanoff attack the Afghans (*Mar.* 30). The British Government demands "explanations," which are given. Our envoy, Sir P. Lumsden, recalled (*May* 4). The Ameer meets the Viceroy, Lord Dufferin, at Rawal Pindi (*April*). The Transvaal Republic suspends payment of its liabilities (*July*). Conference of ambassadors at Constantinople, in consequence of the aggression of Bulgaria and Greece in the Balkan peninsula (*Oct.*). King Thebaw declares war on England. Mandalay occupied by British troops (*Nov.*).	A. Austin, *At the Gate of the Convent and Other Poems.* Sir R. Burton, Translation of the *Arabian Nights* (completed 1888). Cross, *Life of George Eliot.* A. V. Dicey, *Law of the Constitution.* Dobson, *At the Sign of the Lyre.* Greville, *Memoirs* (1837–1851). Meredith, *Diana of the Crossways.* Pater, *Marius the Epicurean.* M. Pattison, *Memoirs.* Ruskin, *Præterita* (begun). R. L. Stevenson, *Prince Otto; A Child's Garden of Verses.* Tennyson, *Tiresias and Other Poems.* Revised Version of the Old Testament published. *Dictionary of National Biography* begun. Death of Lord Houghton (*Aug.* 11).

HOME POLITICS (*contd.*).

forward by the Radicals. The Liberals the strongest party, but inferior to the Conservatives and Nationalists combined. Liberals, 334; Conservatives, 250; Nationalists, 86 (*Nov.–Dec.*).

Rumours that Mr. Gladstone is prepared to give Home Rule to Ireland become current, but are indignantly repudiated by the *Daily News* and other Liberal organs (*Dec.*).

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The Arts and Sport.

Japanese village at Albert Gate (*Jan.* 11).

As You Like It at the St. James's, Mrs. Kendal as Rosalind (*Jan.* 24).

Jan van Beers' pictures exhibited in Bond Street (*Jan.*).

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Mikado* produced at the Savoy (*Mar.* 14).

Pinero's *The Magistrate* at the Court (*Mar.* 21).

Stanhope Forbes' *Fish Sale on a Cornish Beach*, Briton Rivière's *Sheep-stealer*, Orchardson's *Salon of Mme. Récamier*, J. W. Waterhouse's *St. Eulalia* at the R. A.

Death of Brinsley Richards, musician (*May* 1).

Death of Sir Julius Benedict (*June* 5).

Yorkshire College, Leeds, opened (*July*).

Birmingham Fine Art Gallery and Museum opened.

Gounod's *Mors et Vita*, Dvorák's *Spectre Bride*, and Cowen's *Sleeping Beauty* produced at the Birmingham Festival (*Aug.*).

Goring Thomas's *Nadeshda* produced.

Fanny Davies plays for the first time at the Popular Concerts.

Sale of the Becket Denison Collection for £92,000.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Crematory erected at Woking.

Opening of the Mersey Tunnel (*Feb.* 13).

Inventions Exhibition at South Kensington.

Manchester Ship Canal begun.

Introduction of sixpenny telegrams.

Kerry Nicholls explores the North Island of New Zealand.

Capt. Chaddock ascends the Limpopo.

T. and W. Jones explore Somali-land.

Death of Dr. W. B. Carpenter, biologist (*Nov.* 10).

Death of Dr. Samuel Birch, Egyptologist (*Dec.* 27).

The Arts and Sport (*contd.*).

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Melton.

Beach defeats Hanlon at Sydney for the sculling championship (*Mar.*).

Miscellaneous.

Dynamite explosions at the same time at the Houses of Parliament and the Tower of London (*Jan.* 24).

Prince and Princess of Wales in Ireland (*April*).

Cunningham and Burton sentenced to penal servitude for life for their share in the dynamite outrages (*May*).

Fire at Whiteley's—the fourth within two years—damages over £100,000 (*June* 17).

Princess Beatrice married (*July* 23).

Death of Sir Moses Montefiore (*July* 28).

Mr. W. E. Stead's agitation in favour of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill. Publication of the *Modern Babylon* articles in the *Pall Mall Gazette*. Stead convicted of what was technically abduction and assault on Eliza Armstrong, and sentenced to three months' imprisonment (*Nov.*).

Royal Commission on the Depression of Trade meets (*Oct.*).

Death of Lord Shaftesbury (*Oct.* 1).

Murder of Curtain by moonlighters (*Nov.* 13).

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Home Politics.

Salisbury: Gladstone: Salisbury.

The Queen in person opens her eleventh Parliament (*Jan.* 20).

The Government defeated on an amendment to the Address, by Mr. Jesse Collings, regretting the absence of any mention of allotments and small holdings for labourers (*Jan.* 26).

The Salisbury Ministry resigns (*Feb.* 1).

The Liberal Ministry comprises Mr. Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury; Sir W. V. Harcourt, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Childers, Home Secretary; Lord Rosebery, Foreign Secretary; Lord Granville, Colonial Secretary; Lord Kimberley, Indian Secretary; Chamberlain, Local Government Board; Lord Aberdeen, Viceroy of Ireland; Morley, Chief-Secretary; Trevelyan, Secretary for Scotland. The Marquis of Hartington does not join the Ministry.

Mr. Gladstone adopts a Home Rule policy (*Mar.*).

Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Trevelyan resign (*Mar.* 27).

Death of Mr. W. E. Forster (*April* 5).

Mr. Gladstone introduces a Home Rule Bill (*April* 8).

Motion in favour of Welsh Disestablishment rejected by 241 to 229 votes (*Mar.* 10).

Great meeting of Conservatives and Liberals opposed to Home Rule, at Her Majesty's Opera House — Salisbury and Hartington (*April* 14).

Foreign and Colonial Politics.

Canadian Pacific Railway opened.

Delimitation of German and English spheres of action in the Pacific (*May*).

Greece blockaded by the Great Powers (*June–July*).

HOME POLITICS (*contd.*).

Irish Land Purchase Bill introduced by Mr. Gladstone (*April* 16).

Mr. Chamberlain strongly opposes the Purchase Scheme, but is prepared to accept Home Rule if the Irish members are retained at Westminster, and the Imperial authority is maintained (*April*).

Agitation against the Home Rule Bill (*May*).

Irish Arms Bill is brought in by Mr. Morley (*May*).

The Home Rule Bill rejected on the second reading by 343 votes to 313 (*June* 7).

General Election: Conservatives, 317; Liberal Unionists, 74; Gladstonian Liberals, 191; Parnellites, 84 (*July*).

Mr. Gladstone's Ministry resigns. Lord Hartington refuses the Premiership, but promises support to the Conservatives.

Lord Salisbury, First Lord of the Treasury; Lord Randolph Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer; H. Matthews, Home Secretary; Lord Iddesleigh, Foreign Secretary; Sir R. Cross, Indian Secretary; E. Stanhope, Colonial Secretary; Sir

Literature.

F. Anstey, *A Fallen Idol.*

Miss Braddon, *Mohawks.*

Early Letters of Carlyle (edited by Prof. Norton).

Marie Corelli, *Romance of Two Worlds.*

Dowden, *Life of Shelley.*

Froude, *Oceana.*

Gardiner, *History of the Great Civil War* (vol. i.).

Maxwell Gray, *Silence of Dean Maitland.*

Hardy, *The Mayor of Casterbridge.*

Hodder, *Life of the Seventh Earl of Shaftesbury.*

C. Patmore, *Poems* (Collected Edition).

Stevenson, *Kidnapped; Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.*

Tennyson, *Locksley Hall Sixty Years after.*

English Historical Review founded.

Death of Sir H. Taylor (*Mar.* 27).

Death of Abp. Trench (*Mar.* 28).

Death of Henry Bradshaw, librarian (*Feb.* 11).

HOME POLITICS (*contd.*).

M. H. Beach, Chief-Secretary; Lord Halsbury, Lord Chancellor.

Parliament reassembles.

Parnell's Tenants' Relief Bill rejected (*Sept.*).

The "Plan of Campaign" crusade against rent started in Ireland (*Oct.–Dec.*).

The "Plan of Campaign" proclaimed illegal by the Government.

Lord Randolph Churchill leaves the Government (*Dec.* 23).

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The Arts and Sport.

First Annual Conference of the Society of Professional Musicians (*Jan.* 7).

Death of Randolph Caldecott, illustrator (*Feb.* 12).

Franz Liszt in London (*April*).

Jim the Penman, by Sir C. Young, produced at the Haymarket (*April*).

W. Graham's pictures sold for £68,182 (*April*).

Burne-Jones' *Depths of the Sea*, S. J. Solomon's *Cassandra* at the R. A.

G. F. Watts' *Hope* at the Grosvenor.

Daly's American Comedy Company at the Strand Theatre (*May*).

A. C. Mackenzie's *Troubadour* produced at Drury Lane (*June* 8).

Holloway College, Egham, opened (*June* 30).

Completion of Leighton's fresco, *The Arts of Peace*, at South Kensington Museum (*Aug.*).

A. Cellier's *Dorothy* produced at the Gaiety, and transferred to the new Prince of Wales' Theatre (*Sept.*).

Sir A. Sullivan's *Golden Legend* produced at the Leeds Festival (*Oct.*).

C. V. Stanford's *The Revenge* produced.

Reopening of St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield, after restoration (*Nov.*).

First Exhibition of the New English Art Club.

Opening of the Colonial and Indian Exhibition (*May*), and of the Edinburgh International Exhibition (*May*).

University Boat Race won by Cambridge.

The Derby won by Ormonde.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Discovery of gold in large quantities at Kimberley reported in England (*April*).

Experimental borings for coal at the Channel Tunnel works.

Tilbury Docks opened (*April*).

Attempts to cultivate tobacco for commercial purposes.

Mr. Kerr arrives at Quillimane after an eight months' journey in Central Africa (*Oct.*).

Formal opening of the Severn Tunnel.

Eight new elements discovered during the year by W. Crookes.

The use of cocaine, saccharin, antipyrin, antifebrin, urethane, and lanolin in medicine becomes general about this time.

Social Science Association dissolved (*April*).

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

The American cup competed for by the *Mayflower* and the *Galatea*, won by the former.

Australian cricket team in England.

Notts the champion county at cricket.

Suicide of Fred Archer (*Nov.* 8).

Miscellaneous.

A meeting of "unemployed," promoted by Socialistic and other agitators, causes riots in the West End (*Feb.* 8). In consequence Col. Henderson resigns as head of the police, and is succeeded by Sir C. Warren.

Crawford *v.* Crawford and Dilke divorce case. Co-respondent acquitted (*Feb.*). On the intervention of the Queen's Proctor the case was again heard, with the same result (*July*).

House of Laymen meets (*Feb.* 16).

Trial of Mrs. Bartlett and Rev. George Dyson, a Wesleyan minister, for murder of Mr. Bartlett. Both the prisoners were acquitted (*April*).

Riots at Belfast in consequence of celebration of the defeat of the Home Rule Bill (*June–Aug.*).

Disturbances among the crofters (*July*). Conflicts with the military (*Oct.*).

Great meeting of Socialists in Trafalgar Square, asserting the right of public meeting in the square (*Aug.* 29).

Moonlighters arrested in Ireland (*Sept.–Aug.*).

Samuel Morley died (*Sept.* 5).

Lord Colin Campbell divorce case (*Dec.*).

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Home Politics.

Salisbury.

Lord Salisbury becomes Foreign Secretary as well as Prime Minister. Mr. Goschen succeeds Lord Randolph Churchill as Chancellor of the Exchequer (*Jan.* 3).

Sudden death of Lord Iddesleigh at the Foreign Office (*Jan.* 12).

The "Round Table Conference" between Harcourt, Morley, Chamberlain, and Trevelyan fails (*Jan.*).

Definite formation of the Liberal Unionist party (*Mar.*).

The Closure becomes a standing order of the Commons (*Mar.*).

Mr. A. J. Balfour becomes Chief-Secretary for Ireland (*Mar.* 7).

Irish Crimes Bill introduced (*Mar.* 28). Read a second time by 370 votes to 269 (*April* 18).

Mr. Healy suspended for calling Colonel Saunderson a liar (*April* 15). Other violent scenes during the session with Dr. Tanner, &c.

Demonstrations in Hyde Park and elsewhere against the Crimes Bill.

Mr. Burns is reported to have asked an Anti-Coercion meeting whether some of them did not like the idea of Joseph Chamberlain following the Czar and Lord Salisbury to heaven by means of a chemical parcels-post (*April* 9).

The *Times* publishes in facsimile the first of the letters purporting to be written by Mr. Parnell (*April* 18).

Foreign and Colonial Politics.

Zulu-land annexed; the Queen proclaimed sovereign (*June* 21).

Points disputed between England and Russia as to the Afghan frontier decided (*July*).

Disturbances in Samoa. Germans depose Malietoa (*Sept.*).

Maharajah Dhuleep Singh and Mr. Patrick Casey go to Russia and denounce the tyranny of the British Government (*April*).

Nizam of Hyderabad offers £400,000 for the defence of the N.W. frontier of India.

[Triple alliance formed between Germany, Austria, and Italy.]

Convention between Great Britain and France as to the neutralisation of the Suez Canal (*Oct.*).

Sugar Bounties Conference (*Nov.–Dec.*).

Duke of Norfolk sent to Rome as envoy to Pope Leo XIII. on the occasion of his jubilee (*Dec.*).

Literature.

Browning, *Parleyings with Certain People of Importance.*

Darwin, *Life and Letters.*

Greville, *Memoirs* (1852–1860).

Rider Haggard, *She; Allan Quatermain.*

Hardy, *The Woodlanders.*

Cotter Morison, *The Service of Man.*

R. L. Stevenson, *The Merry Men and Other Tales; Underwoods.*

Swinburne, *Locrine.*

Death of Mrs. H. Wood, novelist (*Feb.* 10).

Death of R. Jefferies, essayist (*Aug.* 14).

Death of Mrs. Craik (Miss Mulock), novelist (*Oct.* 12).

HOME POLITICS (*contd.*).

Mr. Goschen's first Budget. A penny taken off the income-tax. Estimated revenue, £91,155,000; estimated expenditure, £90,180,000.

Report on defective swords and bayonets (*Mar.*).

The Crimes Bill six weeks in Committee. Reported to the House by application of the Closure. The Parnellites walk out of the House (*June* 17).

Merchandise Marks Act passed.

The Irish National League, which had taken the place of the Land League, is declared illegal, and meetings are suppressed. Mr. W. O'Brien and other leaders were arrested for inciting to resist the law.

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The Arts and Sport.

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Ruddygore* at the Savoy (*Jan.* 22).

A. Gilbert's memorial to H. Fawcett in Westminster Abbey unveiled (*Jan.*).

Pinero's *Dandy Dick* at the Court Theatre (*Jan.*).

Charing Cross Road and Shaftesbury Avenue opened (*Feb.*).

The Red Lamp, by Outram Tristram, produced at the Comedy; principal parts by Beerbohm Tree, Brookfield, Marion Terry, and Lady Monckton (*April* 23).

People's Palace, Mile End, opened (*May* 14).

Sargent's *Carnation, Lily, Lily, Rose*, Stanhope Forbes' *Their Ever Shifting Home*, Bramley's *Eyes and No Eyes*.

Imperial Institute founded; first stone laid by the Queen (*July* 4).

Cowen's oratorio *Ruth* produced at the Worcester Festival.

Death of Mme. Lind Goldschmidt (Jenny Lind) (*Nov.* 2).

Death of Sir G. Macfarren, musician (*Oct.* 31).

Truro Cathedral consecrated (*Nov.* 3).

Meisenbach and similar process engraving from tone blocks becomes common.

Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show at Earl's Court.

University Boat Race won by Cambridge.

The Derby won by Merry Hampton.

Surrey the champion county at cricket.

America cup won by the *Volunteer*.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Death of Sir Joseph Whitworth, engineer (*Jan.* 22).

111-ton gun tried at Woolwich (*Feb.*).

H. M. Stanley's expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha starts from Cairo (*Feb.*).

The new Tay Bridge opened (*June*).

T. F. Bevan discovers the Jubilee and Douglas Rivers in New Guinea.

Return of A. D. Carey to Ladak from a two years' journey of exploration north of the Himalayas.

The Edison electric locomotive tried on the North Metropolitan Tramway.

Norman Lockyer expounds his theory of the common meteoric origin of all the heavenly bodies (*Nov.*).

Automatic delivery ("slotting") machines become common.

Miscellaneous.

Report of the Royal Commission on the Depression of Trade published (*Jan.*).

Irish Roman Catholic clergy assist the Anti-Rent movement.

Udston colliery explosion; over seventy men lose their lives (*May* 28).

Bodyke evictions (*June*).

Miss Ramsay of Girton placed alone in Class I. of the first part of the Classical Tripos at Cambridge (*June*).

Jubilee day. Great procession and service at Westminster Abbey (*June* 21).

Great naval review at Spithead (*July* 23).

Great review at Aldershot—about 60,000 men (*July* 9).

Moonlighting outrage at Ballycastle. Inspector Whelehan killed (*Sept.* 11). Many other outrages.

Riot at Mitchelstown, in the course of which several persons are shot (*Sept.* 9).

Great fire at Whiteley's, the seventh in five years; the damage estimated at nearly £500,000 (*Aug.* 6).

Mr. Gladstone gives a highly coloured account of the Mitchelstown incident, and alleges that Colonel Dopping had pointed a loaded gun at a boy, when the gun was not pointed and was not loaded, and the boy was a grown-up man. He starts the war-cry, "Remember Mitchelstown" (*Oct.* 18).

Rioting in Piccadilly, owing to the attempt to

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hold a meeting of the "unemployed" in Trafalgar Square (*Oct.* 19).

C. H. Spurgeon threatens to withdraw from the Baptist Connexion, alleging that the ministry is on "the down-grade" (*Oct.* 26).

Lipski tried for murder and hanged (*Sept.–Oct.*). Great efforts made to save him by the *Pall Mall Gazette*.

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Home Politics.

Salisbury.

Mr. Goschen's Bill for the Conversion of the National Debt, which creates the 2¾ per cent. Consols, is passed (*Mar.*).

The Oaths Bill brought in by Mr. Bradlaugh, permitting those who state that they have no religious belief to substitute an affirmation for an oath, is passed (*Mar.–Dec.*).

A Papal brief condemning the Plan of Campaign is published, but is not enforced (*April* 27).

Mr. Ritchie's Local Government Bill, creating County Councils in England and Wales, is introduced (*Mar.* 19). Opposition on the part of the Liberals to the licensing clauses, which permit compensation to publicans. The Bill passes after the District Council clauses and licensing clauses have been dropped (*July* 27).

Mr. Bradlaugh induces the Government to commute all perpetual pensions.

Mr. Goschen's Budget shows a surplus for past year of £2,165,000. To meet expenses of the new system of local government, additional taxes on sparkling wines and on foreign government bonds are created; but the income-tax is reduced from 7d. to 6d. A proposed wheel-tax is abandoned.

Mr. J. Morley proposes a vote of censure on the Government for their administration of the Crimes Act. Defeated by 368 to 275 votes (*June*).

Foreign and Colonial Politics.

Illness of the German Crown Prince, who is several times operated on by Sir Morell Mackenzie (*Jan.–Mar.*).

Fisheries Convention with United States signed at Washington (*Feb.*), but rejected by the United States Senate (*Aug.*). President Cleveland recommends retaliation against Canada (*Aug.*).

Political attack on Sir L. Sackville West, to which Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Bayard lend themselves for electioneering purposes (*Oct.*).

The Black Mountain Expedition in NW. frontier of India (*Sept.*).

[The Emperor Frederick III. succeeds his father, William I. (*Mar.* 9), and dies (*June* 15).]

Fierce controversy between the German surgeons and Sir M. Mackenzie, after the death of the Emperor Frederick.

Attacks made on Sir Robert Morier, the British ambassador at St. Petersburg, by the German "reptile press," at the instigation of Bismarck (*Dec.*).

Charter granted to the British East Africa Company (*Sept.*).

British flag hoisted in the Hervey (Cook's) Islands in the Pacific.

Annexation of certain territories in New Guinea.

Blockade of the Zanzibar coast by Germany and England to put down the slave-trade (*Dec.*).

Fighting near Suakim. Dervish entrenchments stormed (*Dec.* 20).

Literature.

M. Arnold, *Essays in Criticism* (2nd Series).

Barrie, *Auld Licht Idylls.*

R. W. Church, Collected Edition of *Essays* (begun).

Hardy, *Wessex Tales.*

R. L. Stevenson, *The Black Arrow.*

Mrs. Humphry Ward, *Robert Elsmere.*

Death of Bonamy Price, economist (*Jan.* 8).

Death of Sir H. Maine, jurist (*Feb.* 3).

Death of J. C. Morison, essayist (*Feb.* 26).

Death of Matt. Arnold (*April* 15).

Death of Laurence Oliphant, novelist (*Dec.* 23).

Centenary of the *Times* (*Jan.* 1).

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Special Commission appointed to inquire into the charges made by the *Times* against Mr. Parnell and his chief followers (*Aug.*).

Autumn session. Irish Land Purchase Act passed (*Nov.–Dec.*).

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The Arts and Sport.

Completion of the new reredos in St. Paul's Cathedral, designed by Bodley and Garner (*Jan.*).

Death of John Clayton, actor (*Feb.* 27).

Two dramatised versions of *Little Lord Fauntleroy* produced (*Feb.–May*).

Pinero's *Sweet Lavender* at Terry's Theatre (*Mar.*).

The White Galleries at the British Museum opened (*Mar.*).

Leighton's *Captive Andromache*, Alma-Tadema's *Roses of Heliogabalus*, Bramley's *Hopeless Dawn*, Adrian Stokes' *Upland and Sky* at the R. A.

The New Gallery opened — Burne-Jones' *Rock of Doom*, *Tower of Brass*, and *Doom Fulfilled*; portraits by Richmond, Herkomer, and Holl; landscapes by A. East.

Sara Bernhardt in *La Tosca* at the Lyceum (*July*).

Death of Frank Holl, portrait painter (*July* 31).

Hubert Parry's *Judith* produced at the Birmingham Festival (*Aug.*).

Glasgow Municipal Buildings, designed by Young, opened (*Aug.*).

First Arts and Crafts Exhibition at the New Gallery (*Sept.*).

Haddon Chambers' *Captain Swift* at the Haymarket (*Sept.*).

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Yeomen of the Guard* at the Savoy (*Oct.*).

Otto Hegner, musical prodigy, aged 11, plays in London.

H. Thornycroft's statue of Gordon, and Boehm's statue of Wellington erected.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Lieut. Younghusband's journey from Pekin through Central Asia begins (*April*).

Opening of the Marine Biological Museum at Plymouth (*June*).

Murder of Major Barttelot on his way to discover Stanley (*July*).

Death of R. A. Proctor, astronomer (*Sept.* 12).

J. Aitken's researches on dust-haze published.

Publication of Etheredge's *Fossils of the British Isles* (vol. i.).

Durham College, Newcastle-on-Tyne, opened (*Nov.*).

Accounts are given of several processes for producing seamless metal tubes.

Experiments in connecting lightships with the shore by electric cable tried by the Board of Trade.

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

University Boat Race won by Cambridge.

The Derby won by Ayrshire.

Australian cricket team in England.

Charles Wood libel case: the famous jockey gets one farthing damages.

J. Selby drives the Old Times coach from London to Brighton and back in eight hours.

Miscellaneous.

Murder of Fitzmaurice as a "land-grabber" in Kerry (*Jan.* 31).

Agitation on behalf of the unemployed of London (*Jan.–Mar.*).

House of Lords' Committee on the Sweating System.

Royal Commission on a Teaching University for London.

The Pan-Anglican Conference at Lambeth (*July*).

Mrs. Gordon-Baillie sentenced to five years' imprisonment for fraud (*Oct.* 24).

Resignation by Sir C. Warren of the Chief-Commissionership of Police (*Nov.* 12).

The Whitechapel murders, popularly attributed to "Jack the Ripper" (*Sept.–Nov.*).

The City Guilds show much interest in technical education.

Several Polytechnic institutions opened or begun, *e.g.* one at the People's Palace and one at New Cross, to which the Goldsmiths' Company gave £85,000.

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Home Politics.

Salisbury.

The Parnell Commission continues its sittings (*Jan.-July* and *Oct.-Nov.*). Suicide of J. R. Pigott, the forger of the letters (*Mar.* 1).

Mr. W. O'Brien, M.P., refuses to wear prison clothes in Clonmel Gaol, and remains for some days without trousers (*Jan.* 24).

Lord Spencer and Mr. Parnell are entertained by the Eighty Club (*Mar.* 8).

Naval Defence Act passed. It was introduced by Lord George Hamilton, and authorised the expenditure of £21,500,000, spread over some years.

Mr. Goschen's Budget shows a surplus of £2,798,000. The National Debt reduced to below £700,000,000, the first time for 80 years. Owing to demands for the Navy the surplus is absorbed. Increased death duties on estates of over £10,000.

Death of Mr. John Bright (*Mar.* 27).

Scotch Local Government Act passed.

Welsh Intermediate Education Act passed.

Baron H. de Worms introduces the Sugar Bounties Bill, permitting the prohibition of bounty-fed sugar. In consequence of opposition it is withdrawn.

Freedom of City of Edinburgh conferred on Mr. Parnell (*July* 20).

He visits Mr. Gladstone at Hawarden (*Dec.* 19).

Petition for divorce filed against Mrs. O'Shea, Parnell co-respondent (*Dec.* 28).

Coal and wine dues, which had provided the

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Defeat of dervishes at Toski (*Aug.* 4) and elsewhere.

Hurricane at Apia, in Samoa; escape of H.M.S. *Calliope* (*Mar.* 30).

Charter granted to the British South African Company.

Sir Hercules Robinson succeeded by Sir H. B. Loch as Commissioner at the Cape. Sir Hercules Robinson declared that Imperialism was a diminishing quantity at the Cape (*May* 1).

The Great Powers decline to interfere in the pacification of Crete.

[Boulanger agitation in France.]

Portuguese officials seize the Delagoa Bay Railway (*June*), and Major Serpa Pinto takes possession of British territory on the Shiré River and in Mashona-land (*Nov.*).

Seizure by United States ships of sealers in the Behring Sea (*July*).

This leads to diplomatic correspondence between the Governments.

Negotiations for federation entered upon by some of the Australian colonies (*Oct.*).

Literature.

Barrie, *A Window in Thrums.*

Browning, *Asolando.*

Bryce, *American Commonwealth.*

Carlyle, *Letters* (1826–1836).

Ed. Fitzgerald, *Letters and Literary Remains.*

J. Jacobs, *Fables of Æsop.*

Knight, *Life of Wordsworth.*

Amy Levy, *Reuben Sachs.*

Edna Lyall, *A Hardy Norseman.*

W. Morris, *The House of the Wolfings.*

W. Pater, *Appreciations.*

Venn, *Empirical Logic.*

W. Watson, *Wordsworth's Grave.*

A. R. Wallace, *Darwinism.*

Vizetelly, a publisher, imprisoned for issuing a translation of some of Zola's novels (*May*).

Death of J. Albery, dramatist (*Aug.* 15).

Death of Wilkie Collins (*Sept.* 23).

Death of Martin Tupper (*Nov.* 29).

Death of Robert Browning (*Dec.* 12).

Death of Bishop Lightfoot (*Dec.* 21).

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funds for most of the big Metropolitan improvements, are repealed.

Mr. A. J. Balfour brings in various bills to promote and find money for Irish drainage and railways. The Railway Bills are passed. The Drainage Bills

HOME POLITICS (*contd.*).

are nearly all abandoned, in consequence of opposition by Parnellites and Radicals (*June–Aug.*).

Royal Grants Bill passed (*July*).

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The Arts and Sport.

The *Merry Wives of Windsor* at the Haymarket; Beerbohm Tree as Falstaff (*Jan.*).

Grieg conducts his *Peer Gynt* suite at a Philharmonic concert (*Mar.*).

Death of the Rev. Sir F. Gore Ouseley, Mus. Doc. (*April* 6).

Verdi's *Otello* produced at the Lyceum (*July*).

The Middleman, by H. A. Jones, produced at the Shaftesbury Theatre (*Aug.* 27).

Leighton's *Greek Girls playing at Ball*, Orchardson's *The Young Duke*, Stanhope Forbes' *Health of the Bride*, sea pieces by Brett at the R. A.

J. S. Sargent's *Ellen Terry as Lady Macbeth* at the New Gallery.

Death of Carl Rosa (*April* 30).

Ibsen's *Doll's House* produced at the Novelty Theatre, and his *Pillars of the House* at the Opera Comique.

Mansfield College buildings, Oxford, designed by Champneys, opened (*Oct.*).

Hubert Parry's *St. Cecilia's Day* and C. V. Stanford's *Voyage of Maeldune* produced at the Leeds Festival (*Oct.*).

The Garrick Theatre opened with Pinero's *Profligate*, Forbes Robertson and Kate Rorke in the principal parts (*April* 24).

Mrs. Bernard Beere in *La Tosca* at the Garrick (*Nov.* 28).

The Stuart Exhibition at the New Gallery (*Dec.*).

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Gondoliers* produced at the Savoy (*Dec.* 7).

Inventions and Discoveries.

Death of Warren de la Rue, physicist (*April* 19).

Death of R. S. Nevill, inventor of wire-rope (*April* 24).

Dr. Nansen reads a paper before the Geographical Society on his explorations in Greenland (*June*).

Captain Abney measures the intensity of light by means of a photographic plate.

Mergenthaler's Linotype machine comes largely into use.

F. C. Selous explores to Kafukwe River, and J. K. W. Pigott the Tana River.

Death of Dr. J. P. Joule, the discoverer of the mechanical equivalent of heat (*Sept.* 11).

H. M. Stanley arrives at Zanzibar with Emin Pasha (*Dec.*).

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

University Boat Race won by Cambridge.

The Derby won by Donovan, who wins for the Duke of Portland the largest sum ever won in stakes by a horse in a single season.

Sampson and Sandow at the Royal Aquarium (*Nov.*).

Barnum's show in England (*Nov.*).

Miscellaneous.

Trial of Dr. King, Bishop of Lincoln, by Dr. Benson, Archbishop of Canterbury, on certain ritual charges (*Feb.*).

Inspector Martin murdered at Gweedore in attempting to arrest Father M'Fadden (*Feb.* 3).

H.M.S. *Sultan* wrecked near Malta (*Mar.* 7). She was afterwards raised (*Aug.*).

London County Council meets for the first time (*Jan.* 31). Refuses to enforce the muzzling order, as it has not the control of the police (*July*).

The Shah of Persia visits England for the second time (*July*).

Dr. Tanner, M.P., imprisoned for spitting on a police-inspector in Ireland (*July* 29).

Marriage of Princess Louise of Wales to the Duke of Fife (*July* 27).

The Maybrick poisoning case (*Aug.*).

First reappearance of influenza since 1847.

Great dock strike in the East of London. £30,000 contributed to strike fund from trade organisations in Australia. Settled by the Mansion-House Committee (*Aug.–Sept.*).

The Whitechapel murders begin again (*Sept.* 10).

Guinness' trust formed for erection of houses for the poorer classes (*Nov.*).

Great strike of gas-stokers in South London begins (*Dec.* 12).

Chetwynd *v.* Lord Durham libel case. Wood, Sir George Chetwynd's jockey, is warned off the turf.

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Salisbury. Mr. Parnell's action for libel against the *Times*, in consequence of the publication of the forged letters, compromised for £5000 (*Feb.* 3). Report of the Parnell Commission issued. This finds most of the Parnellite M.P.'s guilty of conspiracy to prevent the payment of rents, and of incitement to intimidation; also that they compensated persons injured in the commission of crime, and that they obtained the assistance of dynamiters and physical-force conspirators (*Feb.* 13). Education Act, approving of a new Code which abolished payment by results, passed (*July*). Mr. Goschen's Budget shows a surplus of £3,549,000 for the past year. Duty on spirits raised, and that on tea reduced to 4d. Other important remissions of taxation (*April* 17). Resistance to Compensation clauses in the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Duties Bill, by Teetotalers and Radicals, leads to their withdrawal. Irish Land Purchase and the Tithe Bills are dropped on account of the opposition made to them by Home Rulers (*July*). O'Shea divorce case results in verdict against Mr. Parnell (*Nov.* 17). The "Nonconformist conscience" much scandalised by the decision of most of the Parnellites to stand by their chief. Mr. Gladstone calls on	Lord Salisbury sends ultimatum to Portugal in consequence of the aggressions in S. Africa (*Jan.* 6). Australian Federation Conference meets at Melbourne, but leads to no definite result (*Feb.*). West Australia given a Constitution (*July*). [Prince Bismarck dismissed (*Mar.*).] Agreement arrived at between England and Germany as to the delimitation of the spheres of influence in Africa. Nyassa-land recognised as British, and Germany withdraws from Witu and Somali-land. British protectorate of Zanzibar recognised. Heligoland surrendered to Germany (*June*). Agreement arrived at between England and France by which the French protectorate of Madagascar was acknowledged (*Aug.* 11). Mr. Cecil Rhodes Prime Minister at the Cape (*July*). Diplomatic correspondence with the United States on the subject of the Behring Sea seal fisheries. Large meeting at the Mansion-House to protest against the Czar's treatment of the Jews (*Dec.* 10).	Sir E. Arnold, *Light of the World.* "General" Booth, *Darkest England.* R. Bridges, *Shorter Poems.* W. E. Gladstone, *Impregnable Rock of Holy Scripture.* W. E. Henley, *Views and Reviews.* J. Jacobs, *English Fairy Tales.* Lecky, *History of the Eighteenth Century* (completed). A. Marshall, *Principles of Economics* (vol. i.). W. Morris, *The Glittering Plain.* G. B. Shaw and others, *Socialism.* Death of Cardinal Newman (*Aug.* 11). Death of Canon Liddon (*Sept.* 9). Death of Thorold Rogers (*Oct.* 12). Death of Sir R. Burton (*Oct.* 20). Death of Dean Church (*Dec.* 9). Death of Abp. Thomson (*Dec.* 25).
HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Mr. Parnell to resign the leadership of the Home Rule party (*Nov.* 24). Mr. Parnell unanimously re-elected leader of the	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Irish party (*Nov.* 25). Certain members of the party —Dillon, O'Brien, T. P. O'Connor—call on him to resign (*Nov.* 29). The Roman Bishops in Ireland declare against him (*Dec.* 3). Angry discussions in Committee-room No. 15 (*Dec.* 4–6). Mr. Justin M'Carthy elected leader of the Anti-Parnellite party (*Dec.* 6). Autumn Session.	

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The Arts and Sport.

Mr. H. Tate gives a collection of pictures by British artists to the nation, on condition a gallery is prepared for them (*June*).

Sydney Grundy's *A Pair of Spectacles* produced at the Garrick Theatre (*Feb.* 22).

Death of J. R. Herbert, R.A. (*Mar.* 17).

Sydney Grundy's *A Village Priest* at the Haymarket (*April* 3).

H. A. Jones' *Judah* at the Shaftesbury Theatre (*May* 21).

F. Brangwyn's *All Hands Shorten Sail*, Stanhope Forbes' *By Order of the Court*, Leighton's *Bath of Psyche*, landscapes by David Murray, Leader, A. Parsons, and A. East, and H. Bates' statue *Pandora* at the R. A.

Ravenswood at the Lyceum (*Sept.* 20).

First Guildhall Exhibition of pictures.

Tudor Exhibition at the New Gallery.

Death of Sir Edgar Boehm, sculptor (*Dec.* 12).

F. Cliffe's symphony *Cloud and Sunshine* produced at the Crystal Palace (*Nov.*).

Leonard Borwick's first appearance at the Philharmonic concerts.

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Sainfoin.

Surrey is the champion county at cricket.

Prize-fight between Frank P. Slavin and MacAuliffe (*Sept.* 28).

Inventions and Discoveries.

Chloroform investigations of Dr. Lauder Brunton at the expense of the Nizam (*Jan.*).

Death of Sir W. Gull, physician (*Jan.* 29).

Discovery of coal in the Channel Tunnel works near Dover (*Feb.*).

The Forth Bridge opened (*Mar.* 4).

Dr. Hans Meyer describes to the Geographical Society his ascent of Mt. Kilimanjaro (*April* 14).

Miss Philippa Fawcett head of the Mathematical Tripos at Cambridge (*June* 7).

Death of Sir Edwin Chadwick, the sanitarian (*July* 5).

First electric railway in London (City and South London) opened (*Nov.* 4).

Experiments with Koch's tuberculin end in failure (*Nov.*).

The British South Africa Company send an exploring party, including Selous and Jameson, into Mashona-land.

Pneumatic tyres for cycles.

Tunnelling by the "needle" method adopted on the Great Northern Railway.

Return of H. M. Stanley to England after the Emin Relief Expedition; heated controversy as to the behaviour of Stanley himself, Major Barttelot, Mr. Jameson, and other members of the Expedition, who charged each other with great cruelty to the natives (*Nov.–Dec.*).

Miscellaneous.

Influenza rages.

Lord Napier of Magdala dies (*Jan.* 14).

Great strike of colliers in the Midlands leads to an advance in wages.

A Board of Conciliation for trade disputes agreed on (*Feb.*).

Report of the Committee on the Sweating System (*May* 5).

Insubordination in the 2nd battalion of Grenadier Guards leads to their being sent to Bermuda (*July*).

Dunlo *v.* Dunlo and Wertheimer divorce case. Jury decided in favour of the respondent ("Miss Belle Bilton") (*July*).

Police strike at Bow Street (*July*).

National Rifle Association's camp opened at Bisley for the first time (*July*).

Railway and dock strike at Cardiff (*Aug.*).

Disorders at Southampton caused by dock labourers (*Sept.* 1).

The Shipping Federation constituted (*Oct.*).

"Darkest England" scheme set on foot by General Booth (*Oct.*).

Conviction of Mrs. Pearcey for the murder of Mrs. Hogg (*Dec.*).

The Baring collapse. A panic prevented by the action of the Bank of England and other banks, who came to the assistance of Barings' (*Nov.* 14).

The Abp. of Canterbury delivers his judgment in favour of Dr. King, Bishop of Lincoln (*Nov.* 21).

Great frost, which lasted for a month; the Thames frozen over at Windsor (*Dec.* 31).

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Salisbury. Quarrels between Parnellites and Anti-Parnellites in Ireland. Death of Charles Bradlaugh (*Jan.* 30). Mr. Gladstone introduces a bill for the removal of disabilities from Roman Catholics ("Ripon and Russell Relief Bill"). Rejected on second reading (*Feb.* 4). Defeat of the vote of censure on the Irish policy of the Government, moved by Mr. Morley (*Feb.* 16). Factory and Workshops Act Amendment Act, introduced by Sir H. James and passed (*Feb.–July*). Captain Verney expelled from the House of Commons (*Mar.* 18). Irish Land Purchase Bill (introduced in previous Dec.) is passed (*July*). Lord Granville died (*Mar.* 31). The Budget shows a surplus of £1,756,000. No alteration of taxation. The surplus devoted to free education grant, building of barracks, and replacing light gold coins (*April*). Free Education Bill passed (*June–Aug.*). Death of Mr. H. C. Raikes, Postmaster-General (*Aug.* 24). Death of Mr. W. H. Smith (*Oct.* 6). Mr. A. J. Balfour becomes First Lord of the Treasury and leader of the House of Commons. Death of Mr. C. S. Parnell (*Oct.* 6). Mr. W. L. Jackson becomes Chief-Secretary for Ireland.	Further fighting near Suakim against the forces of Osman Digna. Agreement with the French Government to refer the Newfoundland fisheries dispute to arbitration (*Mar.*). A difficulty followed with the colony of Newfoundland, which objected to arbitration (*Mar.–April*). Massacre of Mr. Quinton and other British officials at Manipur (*Mar.* 24–25). Punitive expedition sent (*Mar.* 27). Attack by Portuguese officials, who stop the progress of Sir J. Willoughby's party on the way to Mashona-land (*April* 20). Other outrages are reported. Delegates from Newfoundland heard at the bar of the House of Lords against the Newfoundland Fisheries Bill (*April*). Charges of corruption made against Sir Hector Langevin and other Canadian ministers (*May*). Agreement with Portugal as to South African possessions (*May*). Death of Sir John Macdonald, Premier of Canada (*June* 6). [Visit of the French fleet to Cronstadt: first overt sign of the Franco-Russian alliance (*July*).] Russia attempts to annex the Chinese Pamirs (*Sept.*). Revolts in China, and massacre of Christians.	J. M. Barrie, *The Little Minister.* G. Du Maurier, *Peter Ibbetson.* Freeman, *History of Sicily.* Rider Haggard, *Eric Brighteyes.* J. O. Hobbes, *Some Emotions and a Moral.* J. Jacobs, *Celtic Fairy Tales.* R. Kipling, *The Light that Failed.* G. Meredith, *One of our Conquerors.* A. L. Moore, *History of the Reformation.* W. Morris, *News from Nowhere.* Mrs. S. Orr, *Life of Browning.* Rae, *Contemporary Socialism.* S. Smiles, *A Publisher and his Friends* (*Life of John Murray*). J. K. S[tephens], *Lapsus Calami.* *The Strand Magazine* established. Death of A. W. Kinglake, historian (*Jan.* 2). Death of James Runciman, essayist (*July* 6).

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The Arts and Sport.

Death of Charles Keene (*Jan.* 4).

H. A. Jones' *Dancing Girl* is produced at the Haymarket (*Jan.* 15).

The New English Opera House, Shaftesbury Avenue, is opened with Sir A. Sullivan's *Ivanhoe* (*Jan.* 31).

Haddon Chambers' *The Idler* at the St. James's Theatre (*Feb.*).

L'Enfant Prodigue at the Prince of Wales' (*Mar.* 31).

Ibsen's *Ghosts* and *Hedda Gabler* performed in London.

J. W. Waterhouse's *Ulysses and the Sirens*, Calderon's *St. Elizabeth of Hungary*, Solomon's *Judgment of Paris*, Fildes' *The Doctor*, and Sargent's *La Carmencita*, at the R. A.

Sims Reeves gives a "farewell" concert at the Albert Hall (*May* 11).

Opening of the Birmingham Law Courts, designed by Aston Webb and Ingram Bell (*July*).

Mascagni's *Cavalleria Rusticana* at the Shaftesbury Theatre.

Naval Exhibition at Chelsea (*May*).

Venice at Olympia (*Dec.*).

Mlle. Eibenschutz and M. Ysaye make their London débuts at St. James's Hall.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Death of Sir Joseph Bazalgette, engineer (*Mar.* 15).

Telephonic communication between London and Paris (*Mar.* 16).

Death of Sir John Hawkshaw, engineer (*June* 2).

New Cross Technical Institute opened (*July*).

Shelford Bidwell invents a self-lighting electric lamp.

International Congress on Hygiene held in London.

THE ARTS AND SPORT (*contd.*).

Death of Maddison Morton, dramatist (*Dec.* 19).

Death of Alfred Cellier, musician (*Dec.* 28).

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Common.

Surrey the champion county at cricket.

Miscellaneous.

Another Whitechapel murder (*Feb.* 13).

Anchor liner *Utopia* sunk by collision with H.M.S. *Anson*—600 persons drowned (*Mar.* 17).

Opium Commission appointed.

Evelyn *v.* Hurlbert breach of promise of marriage case (*April* 20).

Death of Dr. Magee, Archbishop of York (*May* 4).

Death of Mme. Blavatsky (*May* 8).

Old Age Pension Scheme ventilated and supported by Mr. Chamberlain.

Sir W. Gordon-Cumming *v.* Wilson libel case, to clear the plaintiff from the charge of cheating at *baccarat* played at Tranby Croft (*June* 9).

Libel action, Royal Aquarium Company against Parkinson, a member of the London County Council. Verdict for plaintiff, damages £250 (*June*).

Visit of the Emperor William II. (*July*).

Russell-Scott matrimonial suit (*Dec.*).

Sensational slander case of Osborne *v.* Hargreave, known as the Pearl Necklace Case (*Dec.*).

Explosion at Dublin Castle (*Dec.* 31).

Census taken: England and Wales, 29,001,018; Scotland, 4,033,103; Ireland, 4,706,162.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Salisbury: Gladstone. Mr. Chamberlain becomes acknowledged leader of the Liberal Unionist party in the House of Commons (*Feb.*). Irish Local Government Bill introduced by Mr. A. J. Balfour (*Feb.* 18). Second reading carried by 352 to 260 (*May* 24). The Bill is withdrawn (*June*). Mr. De Cobain expelled from the House of Commons (*Feb.*). Women's Suffrage Bill rejected by the House of Commons by 125 votes to 102 (*April*). Mr. Goschen's Budget shows a surplus of £1,067,000. Clergy Discipline (Immorality) Bill passed. Small Agricultural Holdings Act passed. Parliament (the twelfth) dissolved (*June* 28). General Election: Unionists, 315; Home Rulers, 355. Meeting of the new (thirteenth) Parliament (*Aug.* 4). Vote of No-confidence, moved by Mr. H. Asquith (*Aug.* 8), is passed by 350 votes to 310 (*Aug.* 11). Resignation of the Government. Mr. Gladstone becomes Premier. W. E. Gladstone, First Lord of the Treasury; Sir W. Harcourt, Chancellor of the Exchequer; H.	Zanzibar declared a free port (*Feb.* 1). Capt. Euan Smith at Fez (*May–July*). Protectorate declared over the Gilbert Islands (*June*). Sir G. Portal's mission to Uganda. Correspondence with the United States on the Behring Sea seal fisheries. International Monetary Conference at Brussels rendered abortive by the action of Great Britain and Germany (*Nov.–Dec.*). Disturbances at Chitral, leading to British interference (*Dec.*). HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). Asquith, Home Secretary; Lord Rosebery, Foreign Secretary; H. Campbell-Bannerman, War Secretary; Earl Spencer, First Lord of the Admiralty; Marquis of Ripon, Colonial Secretary; J. Morley, Chief-Secretary for Ireland; Lord Chancellor, Lord Herschell.	Dobson, *Eighteenth Century Vignettes* (1st series). Conan Doyle, *Sherlock Holmes.* N. Gale, *A Country Muse.* Hardy, *Tess of the D' Urbervilles.* W. E. Henley, *A Song of the Sword.* Kipling, *Barrack-Room Ballads.* Stevenson, *Across the Plains.* Stevenson and Lloyd Osbourne, *The Wrecker.* J. Sully, *The Human Mind.* Swinburne, *The Sisters.* Tennyson, *Death of Œnone and Other Poems.* Mrs. Humphry Ward, *David Grieve.* W. Watson, *Poems; Lachrymæ Musarum.* Zangwill, *Children of the Ghetto.* Death of E. A. Freeman, historian (*Mar.* 16). Death of T. Cooper, Chartist poet (*July* 15). Death of Lord Tennyson (*Oct.* 6).

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Gilbert and Cellier's *The Mountebanks* produced at the Lyric Theatre (*Jan.* 4). *Henry VIII.* at the Lyceum. Incidental music by E. German (*Jan.* 5). Oscar Wilde's *Lady Windermere's Fan* at the St. James's (*Feb.* 20). J. M. Barrie's *Walker, London*, at Toole's (*Feb.* 25). Suicide of A. Goring Thomas, musician (*Mar.* 21). Leighton's *Garden of the Hesperides*, J. W. Waterhouse's *Circe*, Hacker's *Annunciation*, Tadema's *Kiss*, Onslow Ford's *Shelley* at the R. A. Hubert Parry's *Job* at the Gloucester Festival (*Sept.*). Sullivan's *Haddon Hall* at the Savoy (*Sept.* 24). Death of T. Woolner, sculptor (*Oct.* 7). *King Lear* at the Lyceum (*Nov.* 10). *Charley's Aunt* produced at the Royalty, afterwards removed to the Globe (*Dec.* 21). R. C. Carton's *Liberty Hall* at the St. James's. Paderewski in London. University Boat Race won by Oxford. The Derby won by Sir Hugo. Surrey the champion county at cricket.	Death of Sir G. Airy, astronomer (*Jan.* 2). Death of Professor J. C. Adams, astronomer (*Jan.* 21). Death of Sir Morell Mackenzie (*Feb.* 3). Capt. Holled Smith explores the country of the Beni Amer. Broad gauge completely abolished on the Great Western Railway (*May*). Congress of Experimental Psychology in London (*Aug.*). At the Chrysanthemum Show flowers are exhibited which have been conveyed from New Zealand in blocks of ice (*Sept.* 6). Discovery of a lake-village at Glastonbury by Dr. Bulleid. H. Preece conducts experiments in wire-to-wire telegraphy between Flat Holme Island and the mainland. Mr. Rockhill crosses Thibet. Death of Sir Richard Owen, anatomist (*Dec.* 18).	Leeds Railway Station burnt (*Jan.* 13). Influenza at its worst (*Jan.*). Death of the Duke of Clarence and of Cardinal Manning, both from influenza (*Jan.* 14). Death of the Rev. C. H. Spurgeon (*Jan.* 31). The North German Lloyd steamer *Eider* runs ashore off the Isle of Wight (*Jan.* 31). London County Council election.—Progressives, 82; Moderates, 36 (*Mar.* 5). Lord Rosebery elected Chairman of the Council (*Mar.* 15). Walsall anarchist trials (*April*). Durham miners' strike, involving 200,000 men, lasts for 90 days, and fails (*Mar.-May*). The *City of Chicago* runs aground off Kinsale Head (*July* 1). Run on the Birkbeck Bank (*Sept.*). Strike of Lancashire cotton operatives (*Nov.*). Thirsk railway accident (*Nov.* 2). J. Spencer Balfour absconds in consequence of the Liberator frauds being discovered (*Dec.*). Decoration given to volunteer officers for 20 years' service. Dr. Vaughan, Archbishop of Westminster.

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Home Politics.	Foreign and Colonial Politics.	Literature.
Gladstone. Procession of "unemployed" to the House of Commons at the opening of Parliament is stopped on reaching Westminster (*Jan.* 31). Mr. Gladstone introduces his second Home Rule Bill, in which the Irish members are retained in their full number at Westminster (*Feb.* 13). Mr. Asquith introduces the Welsh and Scotch Church Suspensory Bill (*Feb.* 23). Sir W. Harcourt introduces a Liquor Traffic Bill, in which the principle of Local Veto is embodied (*Feb.* 27). The second reading of the Home Rule Bill is carried by 347 votes to 304 (*April* 21). Navy estimates, £15,267,674; army estimates, £20,750,651. Sir W. Harcourt's Budget shows an estimated expenditure of £91,464,000, and estimated revenue of £89,890,000. The deficit is covered by an additional penny on the income-tax, now raised to 7d. (*April*). Sir C. Dilke's motion for the evacuation of Egypt is rejected (*May* 1). The Home Rule Bill is carried through committee by closuring it in "compartments" (*July* 27).	The new Khedive (Abbas) yields to the remonstrance of Lord Cromer against his change of ministers without consulting the British authorities (*Jan.* 17). Nyassa-land brought within the British Central African Protectorate (*Feb.*). Solomon Isles proclaimed a British protectorate (*July*). Arrival at Cabul of Sir M. Durand's mission to the Ameer (*Oct.*). Matabele war. Lobengula demands the restoration of Mashona-land. Decisive victory over the Matabele; Buluwayo burnt (*Nov.* 2). Destruction of Captain Wilson and his force by the Matabele.	Austin, *The Garden that I Love.* A. C. Benson, *Poems.* Crockett, *The Stickit Minister.* Davidson, *Fleet Street Eclogues.* Conan Doyle, *The Refugees.* S. Grand, *The Heavenly Twins.* Henley and Stevenson, *Three Plays.* R. Kipling, *Many Inventions.* Nicholson, *Principles of Political Economy* (vol. i.). Stevenson, *The Beach of Falesa and Other Tales; Catriona.* Thompson, *Poems.* Weyman, *A Gentleman of France.*
	HOME POLITICS (*contd.*). The Home Rule Bill is rejected by the House of Lords by 419 votes to 41 (*Sept.* 8). Commencement of an agitation by the Home Rule party against House of Lords (*Sept.*). Autumn session. The Parish Councils Act is passed (*Nov.*).	

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The Arts and Sport.

Hypatia at the Haymarket (*Jan.* 2).

Death of Fanny Kemble (Mrs. Buller) (*Jan.* 15).

Tennyson's *Becket* at the Lyceum (*Feb.* 6).

Death of John Pettie, R.A. (*Feb.* 21).

Death of Vicat Cole (*April* 6).

Opening of the Imperial Institute, designed by T. E. Colcutt (*May* 10).

Pinero's *Second Mrs. Tanqueray* at the St. James's. The principal part sustained by Mrs. Patrick Campbell (*May* 27).

Leoncavallo's *Pagliacci* and C. V. Stanford's *Veiled Prophet* at Covent Garden (*May*).

Eleanora Duse at the Lyric (*May*).

Somerscale's *Corvette Shortening Sail*, Leighton's *Hit!* at the R. A.

Burne-Jones' *Love among the Ruins* at the New Gallery.

Unveiling of the Shaftesbury Memorial Fountain, Piccadilly Circus, designed by A. Gilbert (*June*).

Death of Albert Moore, painter (*Sept.* 25).

Ford Madox Brown completes his frescoes at Manchester Town Hall (*Sept.*).

Death of David James (*Oct.* 1).

Death of Ford Madox Brown (*Oct.* 6).

Gilbert and Sullivan's

Inventions and Discoveries.

Professor Virchow addresses the Royal Society on Pathology (*Mar.*).

Trial of the hydrophone.

The Wembley Tower begun.

Mr. and Mrs. Littledale travel across Central Asia.

Death of Sir Andrew Clark, M.D. (*Nov.* 6).

Death of Professor Tyndall (*Dec.* 4).

Death of Sir S. Baker, explorer (*Dec.* 30).

The Arts and Sport (*contd.*).

Utopia, Limited, at the Savoy (*Oct.* 7).

The Gaiety Girl at the Prince of Wales' (*Oct.* 14).

University Boat Race won by Oxford—shortest time on record.

The Derby won by Isinglass.

The America cup won by the *Vigilant*.

Yorkshire the champion county at cricket.

Miscellaneous.

Princess Marie of Edinburgh married to Prince Ferdinand of Roumania (*Jan.* 10).

Trial of Hansard Union directors (*Jan.* 30).

New coinage, designed by Brock and Poynter, issued (*Feb.*).

Charles Wells, the man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo, condemned to penal servitude for fraud (*Mar.* 14).

Hull dock strike commences (*April* 5).

Jubilee of the Free Church of Scotland (*May* 18).

Loss of H.M.S. *Victoria*. Admiral Tryon and crew of 338 officers and men drowned (*June* 22).

Explosion at Coombs colliery, loss of 139 lives (*July* 4).

Marriage of the Duke of York and Princess Mary of Teck (*July* 6).

Great fire at St. Mary Axe (*July* 18).

Great coal strike, lasting sixteen weeks (*Aug.-Nov.*).

Military called out against the colliers on strike at Featherstone, Yorks (*Sept.* 7).

Great fire at Sheffield (*Dec.* 21).

Trial of Monson for the murder of Hambrough; a verdict of Not Proven is given (*Dec.*).

Destructive gale (*Nov.* 18).

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Home Politics.

Gladstone: Rosebery.

The rumour that Mr. Gladstone was about to resign office officially denied (*Jan.* 31).

Mr. Gladstone resigns office (*Mar.* 2).

Lord Rosebery succeeds him as First Lord of the Treasury and Premier, while the Earl of Kimberley becomes Foreign Secretary, and Mr. H. H. Fowler goes to the India Office.

Parliament is prorogued (*Mar.* 5), and a new session begins (*Mar.* 12).

Amendment to the Address carried in the Commons by Mr. Labouchere (*Mar.* 13).

Lord Rosebery in the House of Lords says that Home Rule cannot be granted until "the predominant partner" has been convinced of its justice (*Mar.*).

Hyde Park demonstration against the House of Lords (*Mar.* 18).

Sir W. Harcourt's Budget (*April* 16) shows estimated revenue of £90,956,000, and expenditure of £95,458,000. Income-tax raised to 8d., but some further abatements made in the case of incomes below £500. Principle of graduation carried further in the case of the Death Duties. The second reading of the Budget Bill carried by 14 votes (*May* 10).

Bill to disestablish and disendow the Church of England in Wales introduced by Mr. Asquith (*April* 26).

Scotch Local Government Bill passed.

Foreign and Colonial Politics.

Accidental collision at night between French and English forces at Warina (*Jan.* 5).

In consequence of Sir Gerald Portal's report, Uganda is proclaimed a British protectorate (*June* 19).

Trial and conviction of troopers of the Bechuanaland Police for not delivering Lobengula's message of peace, and for appropriating £1000 (*May* 29).

[Kassala captured by the Italians (*July* 19).]

New commercial treaty with Japan (*Aug.*).

[War between Japan and China.]

Native deputation from Swazi-land in England (*Oct.*).

[Death of the Czar Alexander III., and accession of Nicholas II. (*Nov.*).]

Swazi-land Convention concluded with the Transvaal (*Dec.*).

Literature.

S. Brooke, *Tennyson.*

Hall Caine, *The Manxman.*

Crockett, *The Raiders.*

S. R. Driver, *Introduction to the Old Testament.*

Du Maurier, *Trilby.*

Froude, *Life and Letters of Erasmus.*

A. Hope, *Prisoner of Zenda; The Dolly Dialogues; The God in the Car.*

B. Kidd, *Social Evolution.*

R. Kipling, *The Jungle Book.*

Ian Maclaren, *Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush.*

G. Meredith, *Lord Ormont and his Aminta.*

G. Moore, *Esther Waters.*

R. L. Stevenson and L. Osbourne, *The Ebb-Tide.*

Mrs. H. Ward, *Marcella.*

S. Weyman, *Under the Red Robe; My Lady Rotha.*

The Yellow Book first issued.

Death of W. Robertson Smith, Oriental scholar (*Mar.* 31).

Death of Edmund Yates, novelist (*May* 20).

Death of W. Pater, essayist (*July* 30).

Death of J. A. Froude (*Oct.* 20).

Death of R. L. Stevenson (*Dec.* 3).

HOME POLITICS (*contd.*).

Discussions in both Houses on the principle of Betterment, which the London County Council attempts to introduce in certain bills.

Evicted Tenants Bill passed.

Lord Spencer's Naval Programme. Navy estimates, £17,366,100; army estimates, £18,080,900; total number of men, 83,400.

Formation of the Joint Naval and Military Committee of Defence (*July*).

Lord Rosebery, in a speech at Bradford, threatens the House of Lords with a Resolution of the House of Commons (*Oct.* 27).

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The Arts and Sport.

Twelfth Night at Daly's, with Ada Rehan as Viola (*Jan.* 8).

Phil May's first contribution to *Punch* (*Jan.* 13).

A baronetcy conferred on Burne-Jones, and declined by Watts (*Feb.*).

H. A. Jones' *The Masqueraders* at the St. James's (*April* 28).

Aubrey Beardsley's illustrations in the *Yellow Book* attract notice.

Royal College of Music opened (*May* 2).

Verdi's *Falstaff* produced at Covent Garden (*May* 19).

Tuke's *August Blue*, Draper's *Sea-Maiden*, Gotch's *The Child Enthroned*, at the R. A.

Fair Women at the Grafton Gallery.

Mlle. Réjane in *Madame Sans-Gêne* at the Gaiety (*June* 23).

Barrie's *Professor's Love Story* at the Comedy (*June* 25).

Sydney Grundy's *New Woman* at the Comedy (*Sept.* 1).

H. A. Jones' *Case of Rebellious Susan* at the Criterion (*Oct.* 3).

The Shop Girl at the Gaiety (*Nov.* 24).

Exhibition of French Posters at the Aquarium.

Felix Mottl's concerts at the Queen's Hall.

Humperdinck's *Hansel and Grethel* produced at Daly's (*Dec.* 26).

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Lord Rosebery's Ladas.

Stoddart's team of English cricketers in Australia (*Dec.*).

Inventions and Discoveries.

Manchester Canal opened for traffic (*Jan.* 1).

Death of Capt. Lovett Cameron, explorer (*Mar.* 26).

The Tower Bridge, designed by Wolfe Barry, opened (*June* 30).

At the British Association Meeting Lord Rayleigh and Prof. Ramsay announce the discovery of argon (*Aug.*).

Experiments in England with antitoxin as a remedy for diphtheria.

Jackson-Harmsworth Arctic expedition starts from London (*July*).

Commencement of the new extension to London of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (*Nov.*).

Hiram Maxim exhibits his "flying-machine."

Miscellaneous.

Jabez Balfour arrested in Argentina (*Jan.*), not extradited till next year.

First Annual Meeting of the Bimetallic League (*Feb.*).

The "Religious Question" enters on an acute phase in the London School Board (*Mar.* 15).

Jubilee of the Young Men's Christian Association (*June*).

Death of Chief-Justice Lord Coleridge (*June* 14).

Lord Russell of Killowen becomes Chief-Justice (*July* 2).

Anti-Gambling League begins its prosecutions by attacking the lessees of the ring at Newmarket (*June*).

Birth of Prince Edward, eldest son of the Duke of York (*June* 23).

Cordite explosion at Waltham (*Mar.* 1).

J. C. Read found guilty of the murder of Florence Dennis at Southend (*Nov.*).

A small Moderate majority in the London School Board (*Nov.*).

The highest price of Consols during January was $98\frac{7}{8}$; the highest point reached during the year was $103\frac{5}{8}$ (*Dec.*).

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Rosebery: Salisbury. Death of Lord Randolph Churchill (*Jan.* 24). Mr. Asquith introduces a bill for the disestablishment and disendowment of the Church of England in Wales (*Feb.* 28). Read a second time (*April* 1). Also a new Factory and Workshop Bill, and a Bill to Amend the Truck Act (*Mar.* 1). Mr. C. Gully elected Speaker on the resignation of Mr. A. Peel (*April*). Lord Selborne dies (*May* 5). Sir W. Harcourt's Budget shows an estimated revenue of £95,662,000, and expenditure of £95,981,000 (*May*). The Government defeated on the question of the supply of cordite ammunition (*June* 21). Lord Rosebery resigns. Lord Salisbury forms a coalition Ministry: Lord Salisbury, Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary; Sir M. H. Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Sir M. W. Ridley, Home Secretary; Mr. Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary; Lord G. Hamilton, Indian Secretary; Marquis of Lansdowne, War Secretary; Mr. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty; Mr. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury; and Lord Halsbury, Lord Chancellor. General election: Unionists, 411; Home Rulers, 177; Irish Nationalists, 82. Fourteenth Parliament of the reign opened (*Aug.*), and the business of supply finished (*Sept.*).	Outrage on British officials on the Guiana frontier by Venezuelans (*Jan.*). Stokes, a British trader, hanged by Major Lothaire, a Belgian officer of the Congo State (*Feb.*). Slatin Pasha escapes from the Mahdi (*Mar.*). The Chitral expedition under Sir Robert Low (*April*). Colonel Kelly relieves the English garrison (*April* 20). [Treaty between China and Japan (*April* 16).] The Armenian atrocities arouse much indignation in England (*Mar.–April*). The Powers urge on the Porte the need of reforms in Armenia (*May* 11). The British East Africa Company's territory transferred to the Imperial Government (*July* 1). Attack on missionaries in China. Murder of the Stewart family (*Aug.*). Ultimatum presented to China (*Sept.*). Joint-note presented to the Sultan again urging reforms (*Oct.* 6). The Belgian Government pays an indemnity of 150,000 francs for the murder of Stokes (*Nov.*). [Madagascar subdued by the French.] Bechuana-land is annexed to Cape Colony (*Nov.*). Ashanti expedition starts (*Nov.*). [The Italians defeated by the Abyssinians (*Dec.*).] British ultimatum presented to the Venezuelan Government on account of the frontier outrage (*Dec.* 9). President Cleveland	G. Allen, *The Woman who Did.* A. J. Balfour, *Foundations of Belief.* S. T. Coleridge's *Letters.* Marie Corelli, *The Sorrows of Satan.* Courthope, *History of English Poetry* (vol. i.). Crockett, *Men of the Moss Hags.* Hardy, *Jude the Obscure.* Kipling, *Second Jungle Book.* L. Stephen, *Life of Sir J. F. Stephen.* Stevenson, *Vailima Letters.* H. G. Wells, *The Time Machine.* Zangwill, *The Master.* Death of Sir J. R. Seeley, historian (*Jan.* 13). Death of F. Locker-Lampson, poet (*May* 30). Death of Thomas Huxley (*June* 29).

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threatens England with war, unless the differences with Venezuela are submitted to arbitration (*Dec.* 17).

War-fever in America.

The movement for political reform on the part of the Transvaal Outlanders culminates in an invitation to Dr. Jameson to invade the country (*Dec.* 28).

Dr. Jameson's raid from Mafeking into the Transvaal (*Dec.* 29).

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The Arts and Sport.

Production of Comyns Carr's *King Arthur* at the Lyceum (*Jan.* 12).

Death of Edward Solomon, composer (*Jan.* 22).

Pinero's *Notorious Mrs. Ebbsmith* at the Garrick (*Mar.* 13).

Death of Corney Grain, Mrs. German Reed (Miss Priscilla Haughton), and Alfred Reed of influenza within a few days of each other (*Mar.*).

Millais' *Speak! Speak!* Chevallier Tayler's *Twilight Idyll*, Clausen's *Harvest*, Herkomer's *Town Council of Landsberg* at the R. A.

A. East's *Misty Mere*, and La Thangue's *In a Cottage* at the New Gallery.

Uncovering of frescoes by Leighton and Macbeth at the Royal Exchange (*May*).

Henry Irving knighted (*May*).

Death of Henry Moore, R.A. (*June* 22).

Forbes Robertson and Mrs. Patrick Campbell in *Romeo and Juliet* at the Lyceum (*Sept.* 21).

Death of Sir C. Hallé, musician (*Oct.* 25).

Purcell commemoration (*Nov.* 20–22).

Mrs. Keeley's ninetieth birthday celebrated at the Lyceum (*Nov.* 22).

Dramatic versions of Hall Caine's *Manxman* and Du Maurier's *Trilby* produced.

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by Lord Rosebery's Sir Visto.

The *Defender* beats *Valkyrie III.* for the America cup (*Sept.*). This leads to unfounded charges against the honour of American sportsmen.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Great Wheel at Earl's Court completed (*July*).

Experiments of Drs. Boyce and Herdmann on the existence of typhoid bacilli in oysters.

Helium discovered in cleveite by Prof. Ramsay.

International Geographical Congress held in London (*July*).

Death of Joseph Thomson, F.R.G.S., explorer (*Aug.* 2).

Miscellaneous.

Loss of the North German Lloyd steamer *Elbe* with 334 lives, through collision with the *Crathie* (*Jan.*).

Anti-Gambling League summons against the Jockey Club dismissed (*Feb.*).

Serious fire at the West India Docks (*Feb.* 8).

London County Council election results in the return of 59 Moderates and 59 Progressives (*Mar.* 2).

International Bimetallic Conference at the Mansion-House, attended by Mr. A. J. Balfour, Mr. L. Courtney, &c. (*May*).

Foundation-stone of Roman Catholic Cathedral laid at Westminster by Cardinal Vaughan (*June* 29).

Visit of the Ameer's son (the Shahzada) (*May–Aug.*).

Theft of Mrs. Langtry's jewels, valued at £40,000, from the Union Bank (*Aug.*).

Robbery of silver bullion from a railway van (*Sept.*).

Jabez Balfour tried and convicted of fraud in connection with the Liberator Company (*Oct.–Nov.*).

Resignation of the post of Commander-in-Chief by the Duke of Cambridge, after forty years' tenure (*Oct.*).

Lord Wolseley becomes Commander-in-Chief (*Nov.*).

Strike of engineers at Belfast and the Clyde (*Nov.*).

The King of Portugal visits the Queen (*Nov.*).

Consols rise to 108⅛.

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Home Politics.

Salisbury.

Great indignation against the German Emperor (*Jan.*).

A flying squadron formed at Spithead (*Jan.* 7).

Mr. Dillon elected head of the Anti-Parnellite Nationalists in place of Mr. Justin M'Carthy (*Jan.*).

Death of the Right Hon. Hugh Childers (*Jan.* 29).

Amendment to the Address in favour of the dynamitard convicts is rejected, but several are released by the Government.

Navy estimates, £22,774,318. About 4000 added to the number of seamen (*Mar.*).

Sir M. H. Beach's Budget shows an estimated revenue of £101,755,000, and expenditure of £100,047,000. The surplus for 1895–96 was the largest for the last 50 years, viz., £4,210,000 (*April*).

Agricultural Rating Bill passed (*July*).

Education Bill, introduced by Sir John Gorst, passes the second reading by 423 votes to 156 (*May* 12). The Bill is obstructed in committee, and is withdrawn (*June* 22).

Military Manœuvres Bill withdrawn.

Irish Land Act passed (*Aug.*).

Anti-Turkish agitation by the extreme Radicals taken up by Mr. Gladstone (*Sept.*).

Lord Rosebery resigns the leadership of the Liberal (Home Rule) Party. Protests against England deserting the European Concert on the Armenian Question (*Oct.* 9).

Foreign and Colonial Politics.

Defeat of Dr. Jameson and the British South Africa Company's troops by the Boers at Krügersdorp (*Jan.* 1).

William II., the German Emperor, sends to President Krüger a telegraphic message of congratulation (*Jan.* 2).

Mr. Rhodes resigns the Premiership of Cape Colony (*Jan.* 6). Dr. Jameson is handed over to the Imperial authorities, and most of the prisoners taken by the Boers are soon released (*Jan.*).

The Australasian and other colonies offer help to the mother country (*Jan.*).

Ashanti expedition occupies the capital (Kumassi or Coomassie), and King Prempeh surrenders himself a prisoner (*Jan.*).

The Anglo-French dispute as to the boundaries of Siam is arranged (*Jan.*).

[Italians again defeated by the Abyssinians (*Mar.*).]

Revolt of the Matabele. Many murders of whites. The revolt put down by Col. Carrington and Mr. Rhodes (*May*).

Leaders of the Reform movement in the Transvaal are condemned to death (*April* 22); but the sentences are soon reduced to a fine (*June*).

Anglo-Egyptian expedition up the Nile against the dervishes (*April–July*). Battles of Akasheh (*May* 1) and Ferkeh (*June* 7). Dongola occupied.

£500,000 advance made for military purposes by the Egyptian Caisse is ordered by the Mixed Tribunal to be restored (*June* 8). The money is advanced by England.

The usurping Sultan of Zanzibar, Sidi Bargash, is bombarded in the palace, and flees to the German Consulate (*Aug.*).

The Belgian court acquits Major Lothaire in face of the evidence of having murdered the trader Stokes (*Aug.*).

[Mr. M'Kinley elected President of the United States (*Nov.*).]

Settlement of the Venezuelan Question with the United States (*Nov.*). General Treaty of Arbitration with the United States signed (*Dec.*).

Literature.

Barrie, *Sentimental Tommy.*

Crockett, *Cleg Kelly.*

Davidson, *New Ballads.*

Kipling, *The Seven Seas.*

Lang, *Life of Lockhart.*

Lecky, *Democracy and Liberty.*

Purcell, *Life of Cardinal Manning.*

Mrs. H. Ward, *Sir George Tressady.*

Watson, *The Purple East.*

Wells, *The Wheels of Chance.*

Mr. Austin is made Poet Laureate (*Jan.* 1).

Death of T. Hughes, author of *Tom Brown's School-days*, &c. (*Mar.* 22).

Death of W. Morris, poet (*Oct.* 3).

Death of Coventry Patmore, poet (*Nov.* 26).

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A peerage is conferred on Sir F. Leighton, *P.*R.A. (*Jan.* 1), who dies shortly afterwards (*Jan.* 25).

The Sign of the Cross produced by Wilson Barrett at the Lyric (*Jan.* 4).

The Prisoner of Zenda produced by G. Alexander at the St. James's (*Jan.* 7).

Death of Sir Joseph Barnby, musician (*Jan.* 28).

Election of Sir J. E. Millais as *P.*R.A. (*Feb.*).

For the Crown produced by Forbes Robertson at the Lyceum (*Feb.* 27).

C. V. Stanford's *Shamus O'Brien* produced at the Opera Comique (*Mar.* 2).

Gilbert and Sullivan's *Grand Duke* at the Savoy (*Mar.* 7).

The National Portrait Gallery, designed by Christian, opened (*April* 4).

The Geisha at Daly's (*April* 25).

Abbey's *Richard, Duke of Gloucester, and the Lady Anne*, Stanhope Forbes' *New Calf*, Leighton's *Clytie*, W. L. Wyllie's *A Silent Highway*, Gotch's *Alleluia*, La Thangue *The Man with the Scythe* at the R. A.

Death of Sir Augustus Harris, impresario (*June* 22).

Death of Sir J. E. Millais, *P.*R.A. (*Aug.* 13).

Election of Sir E. J. Poynter as *P.*R.A.

Completion of the Brompton Oratory.

Cymbeline produced at the Lyceum (*Sept.* 22).

Death of Frederick Barnard, illustrator (*Sept.* 27).

Death of George du Maurier (*Oct.* 8).

As You Like It at the St. James's, with Alexander, and Miss Julia Neilson (*Nov.*).

University Boat Race won by Oxford.

The Derby won by the Prince of Wales' Persimmon.

Inventions and Discoveries.

Discovery of the X rays by Prof. Röntgen announced (*Jan.*). The discovery is soon utilised for surgical purposes.

Opening of the new Royal Observatory at Edinburgh (*April*).

Motor-car exhibitions at the Crystal Palace, Imperial Institute, and elsewhere (*May*).

Nitragin discovered by Voelcker, described in the *Journal of the Royal Agricultural Society* (*June*).

The Jackson-Harmsworth expedition meets Nansen in Franz Josef Land (*June*).

Report of the Royal Commission on Vaccination issued (*Sept.*).

Procession and race of motor-cars from Northumberland Avenue to Brighton (*Nov.* 14).

Death of Sir B. W. Richardson, M.D. (*Nov.* 24).

Antitoxic treatment of snake bites.

The cinematograph and similar moving combinations of photographs become very popular.

Acetylene employed as an illuminant.

The discovery of the diffusion of solid metals announced by Professor Roberts-Austen.

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Miscellaneous.

Death of Prince Henry of Battenberg on the Ashanti Expedition (*Jan.* 20).

The Clyde and Belfast engineers' strike terminates (*Jan.*).

The liner *Drummond Castle* strikes a rock near Molène, off the coast of Brittany, and founders; 244 lives lost (*June* 16).

Prince of Wales becomes Chancellor of the New University of Wales (*June*).

Hon. Artillery Company of Boston visits London (*July*).

Marriage of Princess Maud of Wales to Prince Charles of Denmark (*July* 22).

Trial at bar of Dr. Jameson, Sir J. Willoughby, and other officers for the Transvaal raid (*July* 20–28).

Li Hung Chang in England (*Aug.*).

Arrest of suspected dynamitards by English police at Glasgow, Rotterdam, and Boulogne (*Aug.* 14).

The Emperor and Empress of Russia visit the Queen at Balmoral (*Sept.*).

Sudden death of Archbishop Benson at Hawarden Church (*Oct.* 11). He is succeeded as Archbishop by Dr. Temple, Bishop of London.

Great celebration of Trafalgar Day (*Oct.* 21).

Trial and conviction of Lady Scott for libel and conspiracy against her son-in-law, Earl Russell (*Nov.*).

Consols reach 113⅞ (*April*). The lowest point touched in the year is 105⅛ (*Jan.*).

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Salisbury. Parliament meets (*Feb.*). Bill for the Relief of the Voluntary Schools passed (*Feb.–April*). Bill for the Relief of Necessitous Rate-aided Schools introduced (*Mar.*). Military Manœuvres Act passed. A Select Committee of the House of Commons inquires into the Jameson Raid. The Budget shows estimated revenue of £103,350,000, and expenditure almost the same (*May*). Compensation to Workmen Bill introduced (*May*). Sixtieth Anniversary of the accession of her Majesty Queen Victoria (*June* 20).	Famine and plague in India. [Fresh disorders in Crete lead to the forcible intervention of the six Great Powers.] [A Greek expedition under Col. Vassos establishes itself in Crete.] President Krüger presents to the British Government a demand for £1,600,000 damages for the Jameson Raid. [War breaks out between Turkey and Greece (*April*).] Benin punitive expedition to avenge the massacre of a peaceful mission (*Feb.–Mar.*). Strained relations with the Transvaal. The United States Senate rejects the Arbitration Treaty (*May*).	E. Abbott and L. Campbell, *Life and Letters of Professor Jowett.* Gibbon, Unpublished Works (*Autobiographies and Letters*). Hardy, *The Well-Beloved.* A. Hope, *Phroso.* Mary Kingsley, *Travels in West Africa.* Lord Roberts, *Forty-One Years in India.*

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The Arts and Sport.	Inventions and Discoveries.	Miscellaneous.
Opening of the new nave of St. Saviour's, Southwark (*Feb.* 16). Production of H. A. Jones' *The Physician* at the Criterion, and of Pinero's *The Princess and the Butterfly* at the St. James's (*Mar.*). Production of *Madame Sans-Gêne*, with Irving and Ellen Terry, at the Lyceum (*April* 10). Death of Lady Wallace, bequeathing the Hertford collection to the nation (*Feb.* 16). Sargent's *Mrs. Carl Meyer*, Abbey's *Hamlet*, Napier Hemy's *Pilchards*, Dicksee's *Dawn*, at the R. A. Opening of the new Her Majesty's Theatre, under the management of Beerbohm Tree (*May*). University Boat Race won by Oxford.	Opening of the Davy-Faraday physical laboratory, presented to the Royal Institution by Dr. Ludwig Mond (*Jan.* 18). Nansen in England after his return from the Polar expedition (*Feb.*).	The Home Secretary releases several Irish dynamiters (*Jan.*). In the trial of the alleged dynamiter Bell or Ivory, the prosecution withdraws, and the prisoner is acquitted (*Jan.* 20). The Mansion House India Famine Fund reaches over £500,000 (*April*). "Diamond Jubilee" preparations.

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